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WHEN the General Assembly a few weeks ago went through its annual ceremony of considering and rejecting the claim of the Communist government of China to a seat in the United Nations, Canada as usual voted for the American-sponsored motion of denial. It is no secret, however, that the Canadian Government supports the United States on this issue for reasons of diplomacy rather than of conviction. Prime Minister St. Laurent has pointed out that the Communist administration is in effective control of China, and External Affairs Minister Pearson has said that the Peking government should "ultimately" be admitted to the UN.

Now Mr. Pearson is said to be working busily on negotiations that would result in the Western group of nations making a deal with the bloc led by the Soviet Union. There are 21 countries, besides Red China, seeking a place in the UN; between them they have more than a third of the world's population, but they have been denied UN membership because they are disliked either by the Russians or the Americans. Mr. Pearson would like to arrange a trade between the opposing factions: so many Red-sponsored memberships in return for so many supported by the West.

There is no possibility of the Russians agreeing to such a swap without the inclusion of Red China. The West is only a little less anxious to get West Germany, Italy and Japan into the UN, but the decisive factor in the deal is China.

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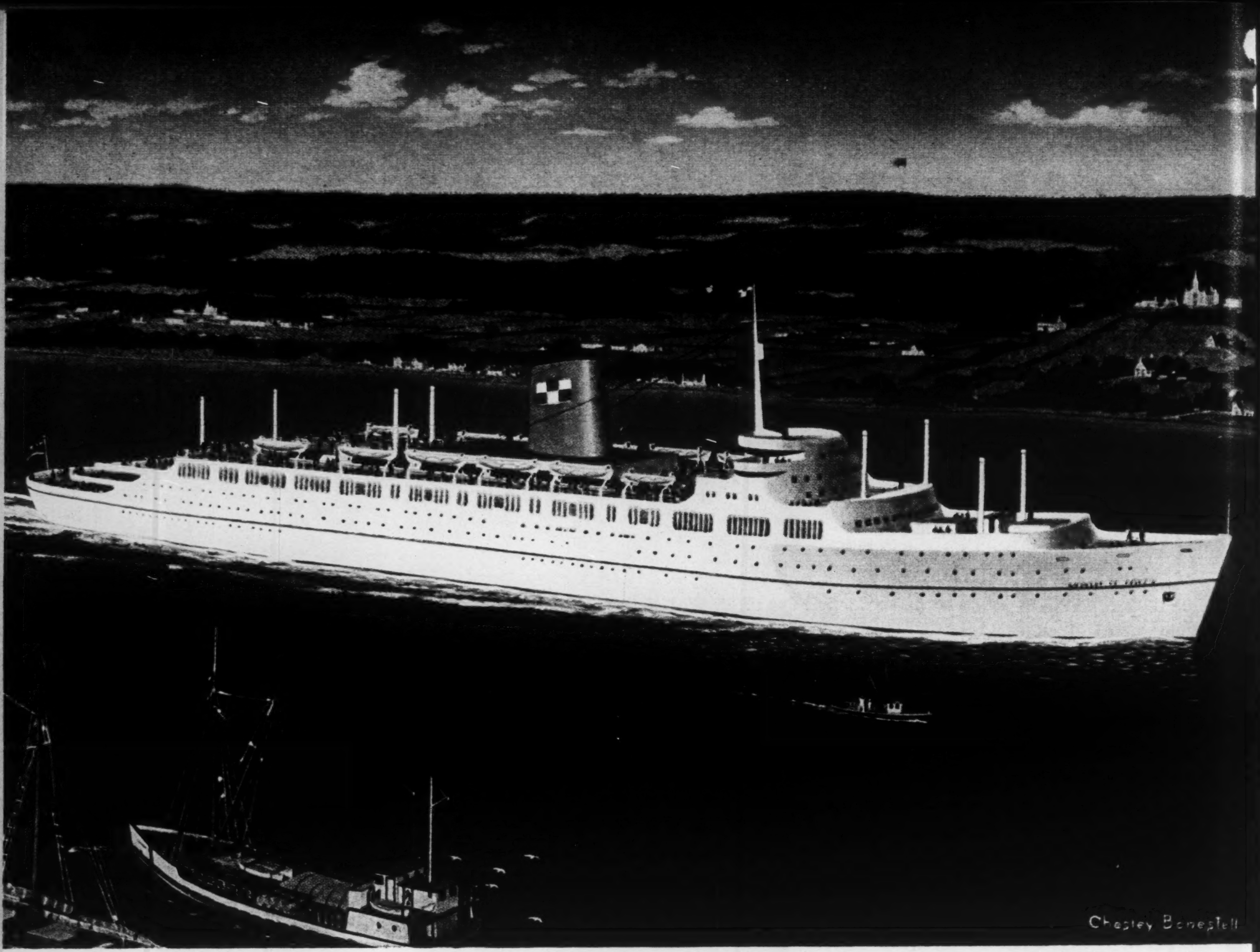

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Mr. Pearson's proposal, as he outlined it to a Commons committee some months ago, avoids the Chinese issue and the problem of divided nations (Germany, for example); it would give UN seats to 12 non-Communist states (Austria, Italy, Finland, Japan, The Irish Republic, Jordan, Nepal, Ceylon, Cambodia, Laos, Portugal and Libya) and five Communist countries (Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, Albania and Mongolia). The Russians, following their recent line of sweet reason and good humor, may decide to support the plan—Bulgaria reportedly told India's Nehru during the latter's summer visit to Moscow that the USSR would have no objection to admitting all 17. But if they do, we may be sure that they will consider this only as a necessary preliminary to the main piece of business: replacement of Chiang's representatives with those of Mao.

Were it not for the inflexible opposition of the United States, there is no doubt that the Chinese Communists would be in the UN now. It is completely illogical that they are not; they control the country, and Chiang, virtually an exile, has no hope of overthrowing them without the help of foreign forces; they have been guilty of many crimes, but if moral conduct is the primary test of fitness for UN membership, the world organization might just as well disband for lack of a qualified quorum.

There isn't the slightest chance of the U.S. lessening its opposition to the Mao regime in the near future, with a presidential election campaign in the offing and the domestic political situation full of uncertainties. But Mr. Pearson's work behind the scenes will be valuable if it does nothing more than prepare the way for enlargement of the UN and for a more realistic, less emotional discussion of qualifications for membership.

Dedicated Salesman

Billy Graham in Toronto, "selling the greatest product in the world".

BILLY GRAHAM, who has been belaboring sin in Toronto since September 18, will not wind up his first major Canadian Crusade until this coming Sunday. The final results of his 25-meeting campaign, then, are not yet in, but it is safe to say that by the time he leaves the city he will have preached to audiences totalling more than 250,000, about 5,000 of whom will have accepted his invitation to "decide for Christ". He has been averaging 10,000 people and 200 converts per meeting.

The campaign started rather slowly. Torontonians may have been still exhausted from their annual rites at the shrines of the Canadian National Exhibition and their long vigils over swimmers trying to cross Lake Ontario the hard way. But they are a hardy breed and not likely to pass up a chance to be entertained (without charge) and feel righteous about it at the same time. By the end of the first week, they were jamming every available space to listen to the superb salesmanship of the young preacher from North Carolina. The ungodly do not seem to have been unduly disturbed; there has been no significant change in the city's rate of recorded evil-doing, and some heathen characters have even used the Crusade as an expedient for collecting "donations" from unsuspecting citizens. The newspapers, after some early indecision, have rated the Crusade (as a space-user) a little below the Argonaut football team and a little above such municipal problems as zoning and traffic control. Church attendence is up, apparently, and it should stay that way for several months, unless Toronto is more forgetful than the other cities in which Billy has operated.

The attendance and conversion figures show that Billy will lose none of his glittering reputation as a result of his expedition to Toronto. He has shown, too, how much he has matured since he first started out as an independent evangelist eight years ago. Occasionally he still reveals an astonishingly primitive quality of mind; he told a group of Toronto ministers, for example, that Christianity lost "a golden opportunity to win the Japanese Empire" in 1946, because Emperor Hirohito would have ordered his people to become Christians if he had been asked to do so—Christianity by imperial command! But these occasions are now few and far between, and never so awkward as when, in his early preaching, he drew blueprints of the Kingdom of Heaven ("Heaven is 1,600 miles long, 1,600 miles wide and 1,600 miles high").

Essentially, of course, Billy is not a "thinker" or a theologian. He is a salesman. After leaving high school, he took a job selling brushes; he outsold every other salesman in North Carolina, including the district sales manager. And he is happy that he has this talent. "I am selling the greatest product in the world," he says. "Why shouldn't it be promoted as well as soap?" But he is no mere huckster, shouting his wares with sickening brashness. No one who comes in contact with him can doubt his dedicated fervor or remain unimpressed by his glowing personality — "he has a holy simplicity," the austere *Manchester Guardian* reported. Even if the effect of his salesmanship wears off, there is no doubt that for a while he has brought spiritual enrichment to a good many people.

Polite Plugs

THE advertising content of programs on Britain's new commercial TV network seems to have offended no one. Even the London *Times*, stern opponent of commercial broadcasting (and competition for advertising revenue), found nothing offensive in what it calls "these comic little interruptions". The technique is, in North American idiom, that of the soft-sell. Some of the advertisers fear that it is too soft, that it will not sell anything. Government economists, on the other hand, are hoping that it is soft enough and that it will not send buyers rushing to the shops —the domestic demand for goods is already taking too big a bite out of the UK's production. This puts the advertiser in an odd position: if his "comic interruptions" don't sell, he's wasting his money, and if they do, he's not patriotic.

The High Fliers

A VASTLY improved team brought about a quick upsurge of enthusiasm for football in Ottawa this fall, so much so that, according to a tale that was being told around the Capital a while ago, a covey of "influential" public servants used aircraft belonging to the Department of Transport to take them to Toronto, where the Rough Riders were playing the Argonauts. The tale may be apocryphal, but the Department's planes have been put to such odd uses that it is at least believable.

The Department's air fleet consists of seven Beechcraft, six de Havilland and six Lockheed planes of various types, four helicopters, three Douglas DC3s, and (to

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come) a Viscount. The Department has important work to do, and apparently requires all these aircraft to do it: the training of technical personnel, inspection and testing of navigating procedures and equipment, checking on airports and routes, ice patrols and so on. But there are times when the Department has nothing better to do with its planes than to use them for ferrying government officials on private jaunts. As Arthur Blakely, Ottawa correspondent of the Montreal *Gazette*, recently remarked: "They exist as a stand-by taxi service for cabinet ministers and other important dignitaries who have neglected to make necessary reservations for travel on commercial airlines and who are in too much haste to travel by train, bus or automobile".

Cabinet ministers made 126 flights in aircraft of the Transport Department during the 1954-55 fiscal year. How many of these flights were justified is not known. During the last two federal election campaigns, an undetermined number of ministers used the Department's facilities to hop from one political meeting to another. Prime Minister St. Laurent travelled in this fashion and so did the Hon. Lionel Chevrier, at that time Minister of Transport. Just how much this ministerial convenience cost the public treasury cannot be determined—there is no separate entry in the public accounts, "for accounting reasons". Prodded by questions in the Commons, the Government did reveal that during the 1953 election campaign seven ministers paid a total of $8,304.28 for the use of Transport planes. The figure is meaningless without such details as type of aircraft, number of crews carried and miles flown. It was also stated, however, that the ministers were paying about $45 an hour for their flying time — and the going rate for the charter of comparable planes was about four times that amount.

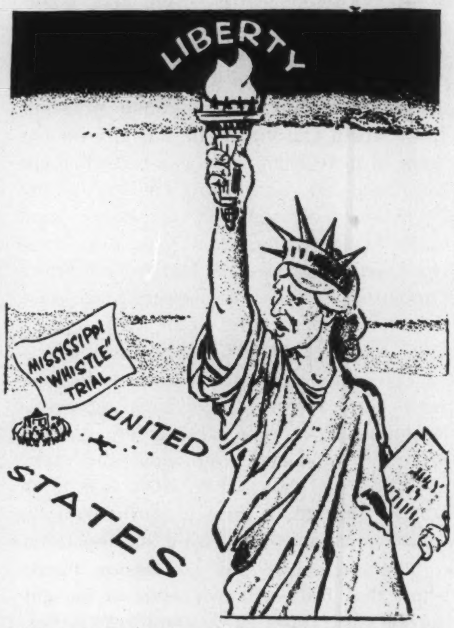
There cannot be any doubt that there has been misuse of the Department's aircraft. Transport Minister Marler should be prepared to make a frank statement to the Commons when Parliament reconvenes.

Our Better Way

WHEN two white men in Sumner, Mississippi, were acquitted of the murder of a Negro boy last month, Canadians were filled with righteous wrath. It bubbled over into editorial columns and letters to the editor. Sumner was a symbol of all that is detestable in the racial attitudes of the Deep South. And along with the anger, there was a good bit of self-congratulation. Such a thing could never happen in Canada, it was implied, because we are stuffed to the ears with traditions of fair play, tolerance and respect for the individual.

It is true: we handle this sort of thing much better in Canada. We would not dream of whipping or killing black people just to demonstrate the superiority of the whites. We are much too humane to try to settle problems of race by violent methods. We take the civilized way; firmly, but always politely, we let the blacks know that we have no objection to them as long as they do not become too numerous and stay away from our more exclusive business establishments and residential areas. We even pass laws to assure them of equal treatment with the whites, and if the laws aren't particularly effective, we can at least congratulate ourselves on a good try.

We would undoubtedly be just as polite and civilized if our communities had as high a proportion of black citizens as, say, Sumner, Mississippi. But that can only be assumed, because our immigration regulations make it quite clear to the colored people that they are not wanted in Canada, that if they were allowed to come here in any substantial numbers there would be all sorts of problems—not of racial discrimination, of course, but of "integration", of adapting themselves to a harsh climate and different methods of work.



"Hope I'm not wasting time." (Cartoon by Dobbins, Boston Post.)

There are, of course, one or two clues to what our attitude might be if there were many more blacks among us. There are quite a few Negroes in southwestern Ontario, particularly in the neighborhood of the village of Dresden. There they are segregated. A Negro boxer could not buy a house in one section of Toronto, although several were for sale. Ontario has a law against discrimination; it's a pretty nice law, but it doesn't work very well. Another clue was what happened in England a while ago—in the land that bred our fine traditions of fair play and broadmindedness. There colored workers from the colonies found they were welcome only if they were few and buried themselves in the slums of the big cities. But these are pretty slight pieces of evidence on which to build an argument, and anyway, we know that the British have been backsliding for years and Dresden is an unaccountable exception to the rule of Canadian tolerance, respect, etc.

Music on Portage

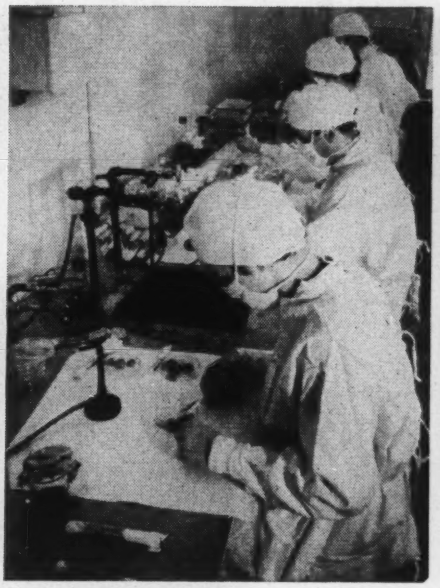
WINNIPEG had a "Symphony Week" a little while ago, and the long-suffering people of that city had symphony music forced on them whether they liked it or not. City council approved a proposal by organizers of the Week that loudspeakers be set up to blast the music at passers-by along five blocks of Portage Avenue. Was the purpose to persuade Winnipeggers that symphonies are worth listening to? Obviously not. On a busy street, music of any sort is just another noise to assault the ears of a numbed and captive audience. Gimmicks like this are designed either to get attention by irritating people (an old publicity technique) or to feed the already bloated egos of the busybodies who like to play Big Brother to the uncultured masses.

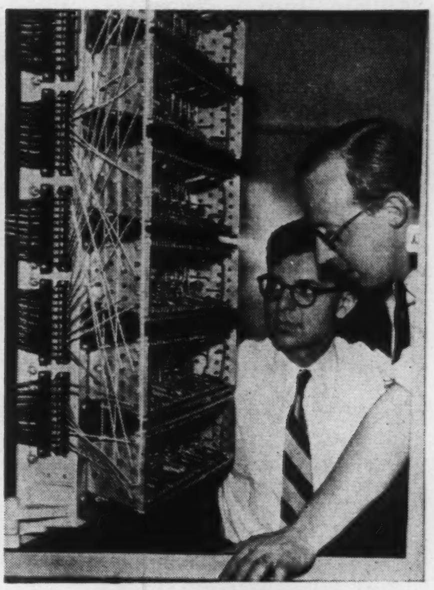
A Good Man

THE MESSAGES that poured into Washington from other countries as a result of the illness of President Dwight D. Eisenhower have been much more than formal expressions of sympathy and hopes for a quick recovery. In each has been an undertone of anxiety that sometimes seemed strong enough to be fear. Nor has this feeling been confined to the statesmen of the nations that are the allies of the U.S. Russian leaders have been just as disturbed as the British or the French. It is true that the Soviet press has published only brief bulletins reporting the state of the President's health, but it has been obvious to experienced observers in Moscow that the heads of the Russian state have been worried. Mr. Eisenhower was well advertised in the USSR as one of the creators of the "spirit of Geneva"; his illness introduced a new and unexpected element of uncertainty into the international situation.

Why all the concern about the health of one statesman? It is axiomatic that no man is irreplaceable — and Mr. Eisenhower, by any of the usual standards, could not be rated as a great President. But the sum of his faults looks very small indeed beside the greatest of his gifts: a quality of something than can only be called goodness. It is so strong in him that even the most cynical feel its influence. It explains the international anxiety: the intellect can, but the personality cannot, be replaced.

The Scope of the University

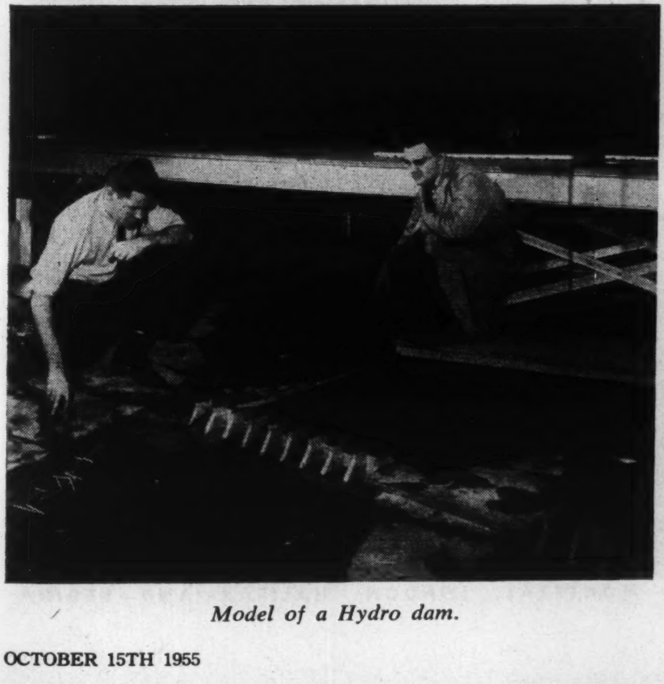




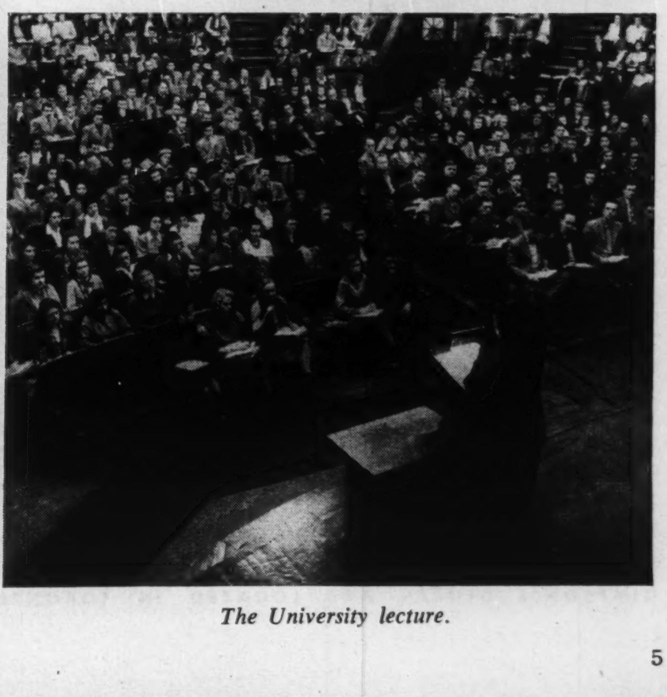
ABOVE: *Household Science class: model homes. Connaught Lab: Salk vaccine. Electronic computer or "machine brain".*

THE MODERN university touches every life in the country. Homes and hospitals, factories and forests, roadways and river-beds, churches and schools, stages and legislatures, all are influenced by the work done there in classroom and laboratory. The modern community depends for its very existence on the knowledge and specialized skills nurtured there and it looks to the university for interpretation and leadership in an increasingly complex civilization. These pictures are from the University of Toronto. See also page 15.

LEFT: *Aligning a model in aerophysics.*
RIGHT: *Forestry students at Dorset.*



Model of a Hydro dam.



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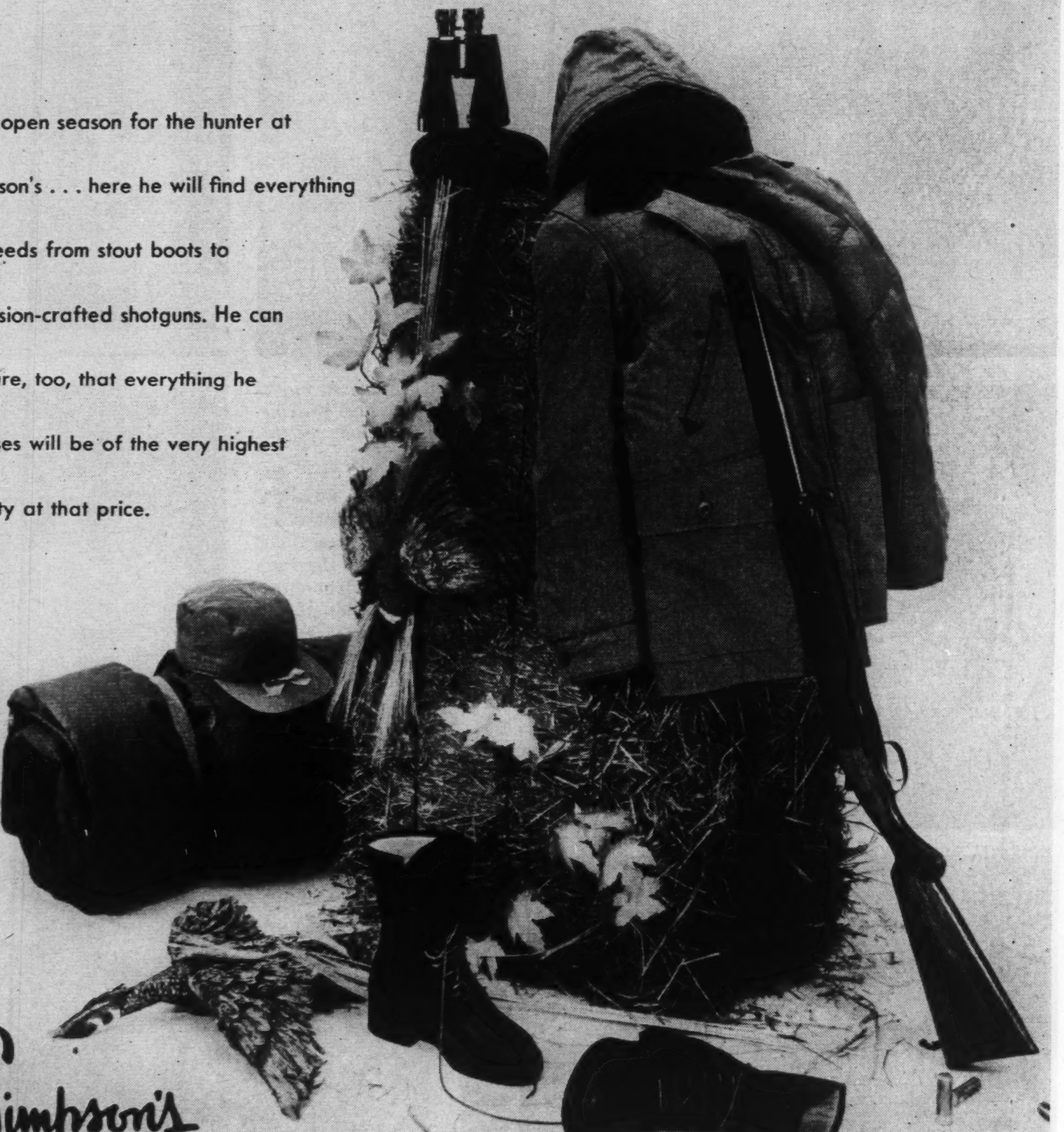

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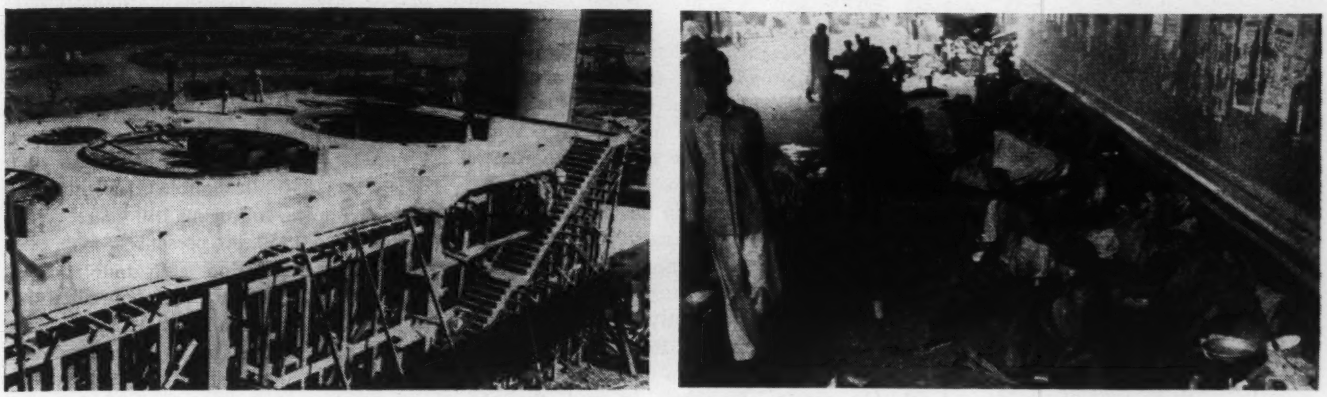


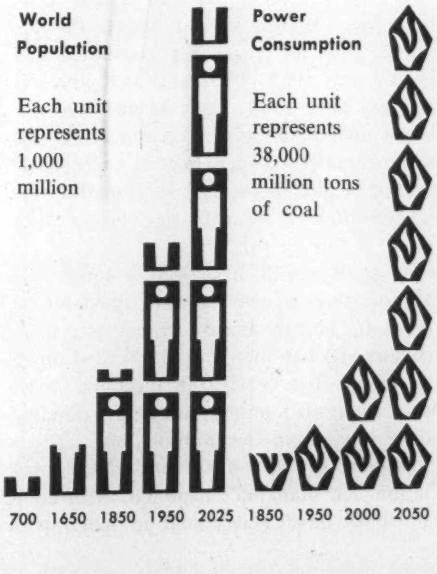
Power from their vast thorium resources should revolutionize Brazil's industry (left), and raise India's standard of living.

THE COMING century will see not only a revolution in power as we shift from coal and oil to atomic energy but a revolutionary redistribution of the sources of power. A new deal coincides with a crisis in human affairs. The crisis itself has been long in coming, but it is almost upon us and atomic energy arrives just in time to save our way of life. In many parts of the world it will do much more than this and we may in consequence see advanced industrial communities arising in areas where till now we would least expect them. The first major phase of the industrial revolution is nearly over and the second is about to begin.

The present pattern of power and the power politics that have grown out of it is still that of coal and iron. Britain, originally rich in both, pioneered the industrial age associated with them. Italy with little coal or iron to speak of has been an also-ran. North America, surpassingly endowed and reaching industrial maturity nearly a century later, avoided most of the pioneering pitfalls and has reached far into the lead. India with her teeming millions and unawakened village life has hardly started. Taken as a whole, the world is a patchwork of industrial and non-industrial regions based on the haphazard distribution and proximity of coal and iron.

The radioactive nuclear fuels, the ores of uranium and thorium, are strewn across the earth in much the same irregular manner as coal but with a vastly different scattering. Brazil and the Argentine, for example, are virtually without coal deposits and have had to import coal from Britain and elsewhere across the Atlantic at considerable cost. Consequently the two countries have maintained their expanding populations by growing and exporting food, principally meat and crops, while industrialization has lagged. Now with thorium and uranium both available in large quantities in Brazil—the supply of thorium is particularly great—the prospect changes, and one of the great centres of industrial civilization will undoubtedly arise on the central Brazilian plateau.

In the race to the future that has just begun, each country or nation is a competitor with its own special advantages and handicaps. India, for instance, has vast supplies of thorium and may well become an exporter of fissionable material, but she has equally undeveloped reserves of coal. Her problem is to make progress in the simple things of life. Across that sub-continent the bulk of the rural population cooks its mid-day meal on a fire of dung and straw. Farm wastes are still the primary sources of fuel and the step into the atomic age is too great to be taken easily and may be a long time coming for the nation as a whole.



At the other end of the atomic pole is Belgium. Unlike the neighboring Dutch, who built an empire out of trade and colonies in the east and who have had to yield it, such empire as Belgium has was thrust upon her. Belgium, a small tightly packed and highly skilled nation, had the Congo territory of western Africa more or less wished upon her by other European powers toward the end of the nineteenth century. And, ironically from the point of view of others, the Belgian Congo contains the world's most important known supplies of fissionable material, mainly uranium, over which Belgium has imposed a complete and iron-clad control.

Belgium, perhaps more than any other nation on earth, is geared for a revolutionary development in her economic and industrial life and for an influence far out of proportion to her size and population.

What the situation is with Russia we can only guess. One of the reasons for the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia was the location there of rich uranium deposits. Those Russia now possesses, but the Soviet reluctance at Geneva to indicate even roughly where her other uranium or thorium deposits occur, in spite of the somewhat boastful atmosphere which prevailed at the conference, suggests that there may be nothing to hide rather than undue secrecy. If there had been anything comparable to the Canadian discovery at Blind River, we would probably have heard Russian claims of self-sufficiency shouted from the roof tops.

Canada, in fact, because of the mineral deposits associated with the great mass of the granitic Laurentian shield, probably the oldest land mass on the earth, is

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So much for the line-up. What of the over-all situation in the near and more distant future? Great Britain is symbolic in this connection. Until the First World War, Britain was the leading exporter of coal. Since then, in spite of increased effort and efficiency in the mining of coal, a surplus no longer exists and the internal demand now exceeds the supply. The best seams are petering out and the Minister of Fuel recently told an anxious House of Commons that British industry must wean itself from dependence on coal for power. By 1960, he said, the now rapidly expanding oil refineries will provide fuel oil to replace 25 million tons of coal a year. After that atomic power will be needed to drive out the spectre of the coal gap. The transfer to atomic energy must be made to a very substantial extent within five years, merely to maintain the existing standard of living.

Sooner or later, but for the prospect of atomic power, mankind as a whole would find itself in straitened circumstances after a period of relative luxury.

Just what has happened and what is happening? For one thing, people and power must be taken together. The impending switch from the fossil fuels to the atomic or nuclear fuels is a dramatic event in human history, but it does not stand alone. It is an integral part of the growth of the human community as a whole and its demand for power.

To estimate how long the known reserves of uranium and thorium ores will last in terms of the present rate of consumption has no more validity than a similar estimate of coal and oil would have had a century or even a half century ago. In the United States, for instance, half the coal ever consumed has been burnt since 1920 and half the oil and gas since 1940. Both oil and coal are being used at an ever-increasing rate and while these fossil fuels may in some small degree be still in process of formation, replacement of these reserves will not take place in human time.

A crisis which has been a long time approaching is now almost upon us, a crisis in human affairs which was foreshadowed when mankind first settled down to village life nearly ten thousand years ago, when all humanity may have totalled little more than one million souls. From this point on, growth of the human population and mankind's exploitation of combustibles have gone hand in hand, with combustion tending to lead the way. In both cases, however, we find an accelerating rate of progress rather than a steady pace, like a compound interest which may be fantastic in its outcome.

At the beginning of the Christian era the world population is estimated to have been 275 million more or less, when, for reasons not yet fully understood, growth slowed down and the population in 700 A. D. was much the same. Then began the modern trend to which we can see no end. The population doubled during the 950 years between the end of the sixth century and the middle of the seventeenth. It doubled again during the next 200 years, by 1850. It doubled for the third time during the following 100 years, which brings us to 1950. At present growth rates the world population will double again in less than 75 years, bringing the total to nearly five billion by 2025 A. D., and so on until something or someone calls a halt. The question is whether such a growing population can continue to be supplied with energy at the prevailing western standard, let alone at any greater level. We dare not take it for granted, no matter how hopeful we may feel concerning the possibilities of atomic power.

If mankind has been growing at an ever-increasing rate during the past thousand years, our use of fuel for heating purposes has grown even faster. According to Palmer Putnam, who recently prepared a survey on future energy requirements for the United States Atomic Energy Commission, the consumption of energy is increasing annually by about three per cent per person. This may not appear to be a startling number, but a compound interest of three per cent applied to something which is itself increasing at a compounding rate can soon assume almost astronomical proportions.

For ease of reckoning, Putnam employs a new unit of heat or energy production which he calls Q, one Q being equivalent to 38,000 million tons of coal. For the first eighteen and a half centuries after Christ the total energy consumption in the world is reckoned to have been between 6 and 9 Q. In the next 100 years, bringing us up to 1950, about 4 Q were burned up in addition. In other words during the last century we have consumed half as much fuel as we did during the preceding period of close on two thousand years. Further, if the rate of growth in demand for cheap energy stabilizes at the present rate, a further 10 Q will be required by A.D. 2000 and the fantastic amount of 70 Q by A.D. 2050. That is many times the quantity consumed since the industrial revolution began a century or two ago. Where will it come from?

This is the first of two articles by Prof. Berrill. The second will appear in the next issue.

San Miguel de Allende, Mexico; Stanley Lewis's La Molendera *is unveiled.*

Lewis, a Montreal sculptor, at work.

Canada's Art Colony in Mexico

by Earle Birney

CREATIVE types in Canada are grown largely for export. I don't mean what they create, but they themselves. We rear actors for London and Hollywood, singers for New York; we ship writers anywhere that will take them. I'm speaking, of course, of the Number One Hard varieties, not the seed-crop who, by getting themselves labelled teachers, continue to be locally consumed.

In the last decade we've even found a market for some of our visual artists, our painters, sculptors and the like, a genus formerly thought to be too indigenous for exile. And most of them seem to be coming to a little town in Mexico where I have been living this summer, San Miguel de Allende, in the high hills of Guanajuato.

Twenty years ago, San Miguel was known outside Mexico only to the rare northerner who had made his way south from the road's end at Monterrey by fitful train and then burro-back through bandit country. Today, it's the new peaceful republic's best-known art colony, with a booming Institute, a number of serious Latin American and North American artists in more or less permanent residence, hundreds of summertime students, and the inevitable Carmel fringe of dabblers, alcoholics and screwballs.

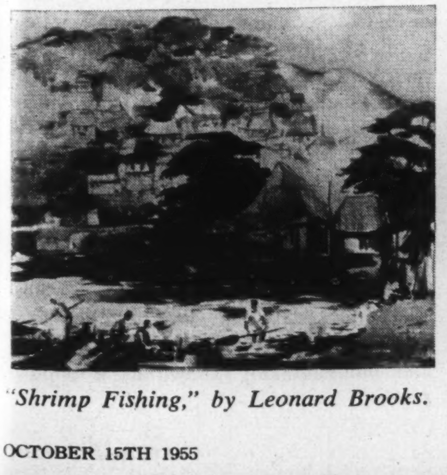
A surprisingly high percentage of the serious core of this little art world is now Canadian—and so far, by luck perhaps, a low percentage of the fringe. On the rolls of the Instituto Allende at the moment are twenty names with Canadian addresses, ranging from Percé (Susanne Guité, sculptress) to Victoria, and including the promising young Toronto painter, Dodie Sperry. The files for the previous five years record sixty-three others, some of whom, like Sybil Dobell of Montreal, have been coming yearly.

Most are enrolled in the figure, landscape and anatomy classes—with elementary Spanish thrown in; some are studying photography, textile design, ceramics, music or drama. Jacques Bouchard of Quebec City is learning local brasswork and silversmith techniques; and J. A. S. MacDonald, the Vancouver painter, and Don MacIntosh, a sculptor from the same city, have arrived to tackle murals and stone-carving respectively, under the tutelage of such established artists as James Pinto and Simon Ybarra.

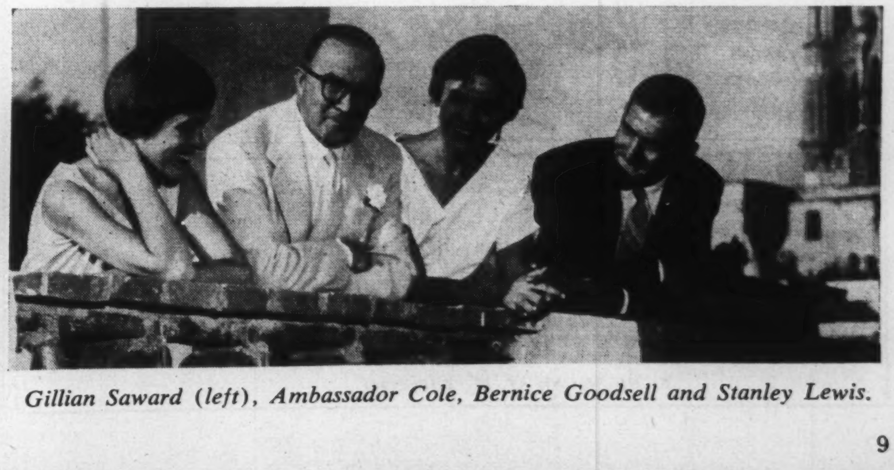
Many of the Canadians who have worked seriously here are now back home painting with increased effectiveness. Such are Janet Melrose of St. John, NB; Marjorie Robinson of Penticton, BC; Beatrice Henderson of Montreal; Barry Kernerman and Gustav Weismann of Toronto; Philip Sharp of Hamilton; Doris Hunt and others from Winnipeg.

Ironically—since attempts to find Canadian money to finance scholarships for young Canadians here failed—our citizens are particularly well represented in the Institute's roster of scholarship awards. The college offers ten free-tuition grants yearly, two of which are at present held by Ontario girls, Bernice Goodsell of Woodstock and Gillian Saward of Danfield. Moreover, the plums among the awards, two annual full fellowships, were won last year by Robert Hedrick of London, Ont., and Stanley Lewis of Montreal. They were chosen, in competition with hundreds of applicants from the United States and Latin America, by a non-Canadian board headed by Rico Lebrun.

The sculpture of Stanley Lewis, in fact, has been so much liked at the Institute that it led, this summer, to a formal cele-



"Shrimp Fishing," by Leonard Brooks.



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bration of Mexican-Canadian art relations. Our ambassador, Mr. Douglas Cole, came down from Mexico City and unveiled a three-ton statue of a kneeling Indian woman, *La Molendera,* which Lewis had completed after two years' work, and which stands near an earlier monumental piece of his in the flower-scented grounds of the Instituto. The ceremony was the occasion for a reception by the college president, Enrique Fernández Martínez (a former governor of the state of Guanajuato), in honor of the ambassador and the Canadian colony of students and resident artists.

Among the latter who were rightly singled out for special recognition during the ambassador's visit were Leonard Brooks, the painter, and his photographer wife, Reva, both former Torontonians. The Brookses are not only the Canadians of longest residence here, and pioneer supporters of the Institute in its less palmy days, they are also symbolic figures, conspicuous examples of the successfully exported Canadian artist.

Leonard Brooks was already a good painter and an "established" exhibiting artist when he lived in Toronto; but, like most who are established there still, he had to put about four-fifths of his energy into teaching, in order to stay alive. He came down to San Miguel eight years ago on a veteran's grant. Primarily a landscape painter, he found the southern light, and the strange multi-hued and endlessly varied world of Mexico, both a challenge and a stimulus, and he began to roam over the whole country, painting it, and taking profit from contemporary Mexican techniques and media such as casein and duco—scarcely known yet in Canada, except in his work and that of York Wilson, who followed Brooks here.

He discovered also that he was now, in this mountain village 200 miles from Mexico City, in closer contact with other artists and with picture-buyers and exhibitors, both Canadian and American, than he had actually been in Toronto. And above all he realized, when his DVA money ended, that the cheaper Mexican economy made it possible for him to set himself up at last as a fulltime professional painter. He remains one, and an artist whose work increases in vigor and excitement and technical mastery. He still spends part of each year in Canada, but now he exhibits and sells also in Mexico and in the major cities of the U.S. He has even branched out into writing, with articles in travel magazines and a recent and diverting essay in the *Atlantic* on the economic problems of the painter.

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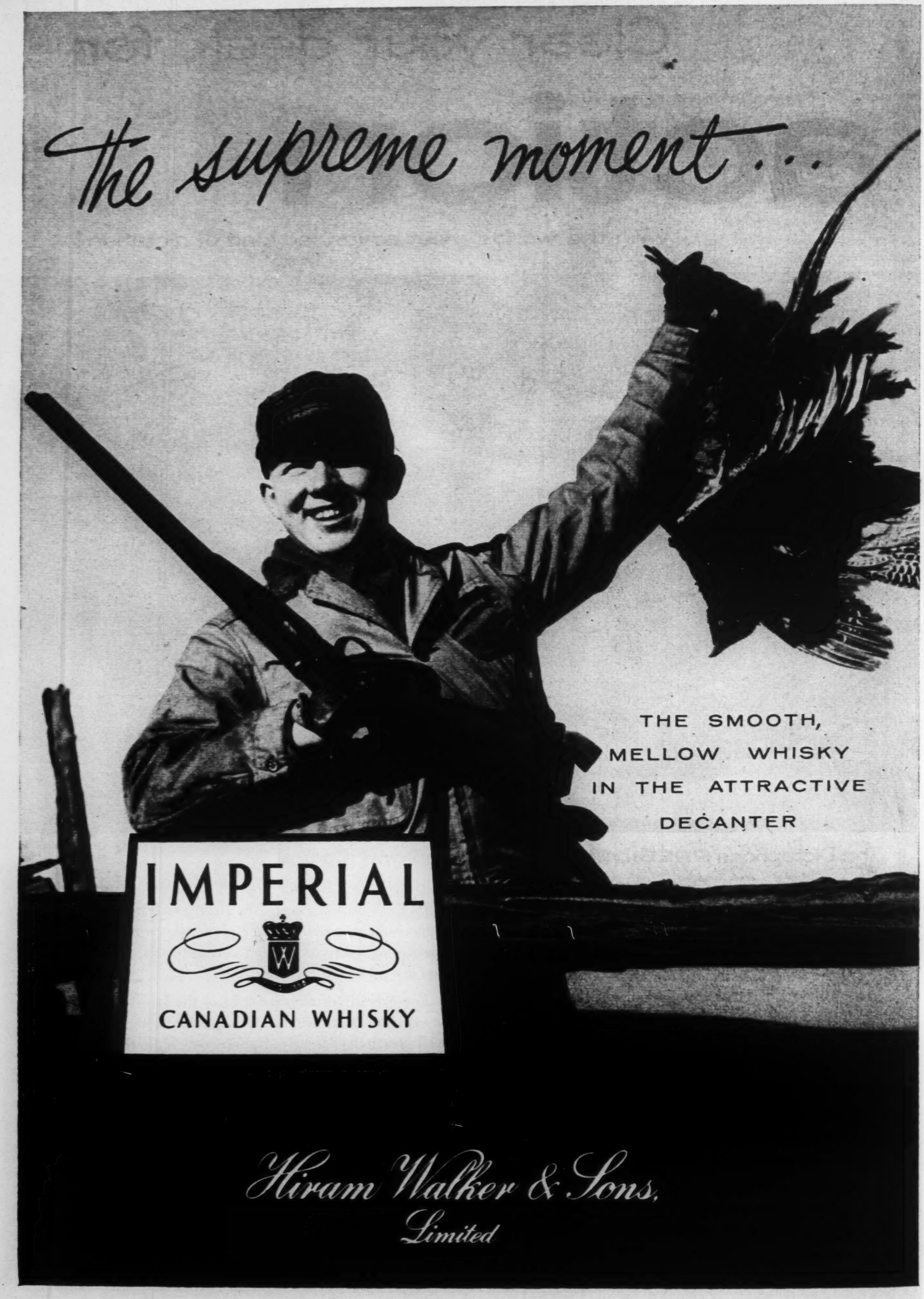
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Ottawa Letter

The By-elections

by John A. Stevenson

MR. DREW has more reason than Mr. St. Laurent to be encouraged by the results of last month's four Federal by-elections, all in seats rated strongholds of Liberalism and in which French-Canadians formed the majority of the voters.

The most arresting result was the notable victory scored in the Restigouche-Madawaska division of New Brunswick, by J. C. Van Horne, the Progressive Conservative candidate. The seat had been held by the Liberals continuously for 22 years, but Mr. Van Horne wiped out the substantial majority of 5,542 secured by the former Liberal member, the late J. G. Boucher, in 1953 and got a majority of 1,591. Such a large turnover of votes indicated that the Government had ceased to be popular in this locality and probably reflected the widespread sense of grievance felt all over the Maritime provinces against Ottawa's failure to evolve policies which would give them a fair share of the high level of prosperity enjoyed by the rest of the country and not leave them the "little Orphan Annies" of Confederation.

It was difficult to imagine that Jean-Paul St. Laurent, backed by his father's prestige, would not hold for the Liberals the Témiscouata division of Quebec; actually he had about the same majority as Senator J.-F. Pouliot got in 1953. But in Quebec South, Frank Power, while he carried the seat comfortably for the Liberals, could not approach the huge majority of 12,587 piled up by his distinguished father, Senator C. G. Power, in 1953. The closest race of the four was in the Bellechasse division near Quebec City, which L. P. Picard, now Ambassador to Argentina, had carried for the Liberals in 1953 by 2,258. There their new candidate, Ovide Laflamme, was only able to scrape home with a majority of about 600—a result that the defeated Progressive Conservative candidate apparently was inclined to challenge, since there was some uncertainty about the unofficial count.

One Liberal victor, Jean-Paul St. Laurent, threw an illuminating light upon his own mentality in one of his appeals for election to the voters of Témiscouata. He besought their support on the ground that he was the only man in Canada who had access to his illustrious sire when the latter was wearing his pyjamas. The implication was that, if elected, he would be in a position to secure through the powerful agency of his father benefits for his constituency in the form of public works, which others, denied opportunities of talking to the Prime Minister when he

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was clad in his *robes de nuit*, could not hope to provide.

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During the Laurier regime a certain Minister, who had entered the Cabinet a poor man, showed within a few years signs of great affluence, such as the acquisition of a carriage and pair, in which he was wont to drive home, when the House of Commons adjourned at six o'clock. One evening when the late Senator Charles Murphy, then a young member, was emerging from the Parliament Buildings in company with the caustic-tongued veteran, Sir Richard Cartwright, they saw this newly prosperous Minister driving off in his carriage. Sir Richard thereupon said, "Murphy, did you note the wonderful spectacle just presented to us—the magnificent equipage, the coachman on the box with his plume waving in the breeze, the prancing steeds, the sun glinting on their silver-mounted harness? Isn't it a grand chariot for driving our friend home to his well-earned dinner? But, Murphy, I was just thinking, if its fine owner had been in the Cabinet of Sir John Macdonald and he had seen what we have seen, what that wily old scoundrel would have done. I think he would have sent for our friend next morning and said to him politely but firmly, 'See here, it's bad enough to do it, but for God's sake don't advertise it'."

The sudden illness of President Eisenhower, which seems to rule out the possibility of a second term for him in the White House, has been received with mixed feelings in Ottawa. There is unqualified admiration both in official circles and among the general public of Canada for the courageous and enlightened course he has recently been pursuing in the international arena. There is also a realization that he has habitually shown a friendly disposition towards Canada, and that while he has made to his extreme protectionist followers some concessions about tariff changes damaging to Canadian interests, he has also exercised a restraining hand to keep them within modest limits. But his inability to run again would seem to open the door for a Democratic victory in the next presidential election and Democratic administrations have traditionally shown greater consideration for Canadian interests than have Republican governments.

Persona Grata

Gravel in Your Gizzard

"I HOPE you don't think I'm just a fresh old man if I smile at you when we pass each other—particularly the younger co-eds," the new President told the students of the University of Toronto, when he took over from the elderly, honorable and reverend Henry John Cody. "And I do ask that you smile and at least say hello in return."

Ten years later, Dr. Sidney Smith—now fifty-eight—is still at it. As one of his associates remarked: "No one can handle this job and still smile—except Sidney Smith." He continues to exercise his prodigious memory for names and his capacity for hearty handshakes. Only, inevitably, the smile has lost a little of its early enchantment, the response is qualified by the experience that the President's jolly manner does not indicate a willingness to take the student body into his confidence on those matters about which present-day students feel they might be consulted. A more aloof figure might have won, in time, a deeper response.

Sidney Smith

A similar process of erosion has taken place in the field of presidential disquisitions, where Dr. Smith continues to exercise his capacity for bold sentiments. Over the years the seemingly provocative and frequently witty remarks have hit the lesser headlines with diminishing force. At various times he has advocated compulsory national training (non-military, of course) and corporal punishment (with a hairbrush); he has championed academic freedom against loyalty tests (un-Canadian), criticized the Hon. Lester Pearson for being too critical of the Americans (adolescent) and spoken about the need to preserve the humanities in a technological age. On this last score, indeed, he spoke so eloquently that an unreasonable expectation of building priorities and so on developed in some quarters of the Arts faculty. The President is, after all, the chief executive of an institution which is largely maintained by a democratic business-like government—and a man of his times. First things first.

He was born on Cape Breton Island in 1897, to a large family of farmers. His mother had been a teacher, read him *Pilgrim's Progress* and destined him for the ministry. From this poor but godly Maritime background, which has produced so many Canadian leaders, he was temporarily transferred, as Gunner Smith, to the horrors of Passchendaele and finished the First World War as a pilot-in-training with the Royal Flying Corps. And though he decided to change his vocation, he has continued to inspire an evangelical rear-guard action against "religious illiteracy" on the campus.

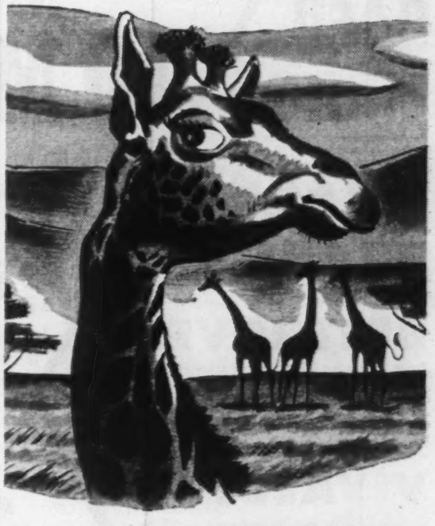
Studies at King's College, Dalhousie and Harvard were financed by loans and part-time jobs. "I went through the mill myself; I know what it is to be dog-tired at the end of the day," he has since remarked, criticizing the necessity for today's students to work their way through college.

He was called to the bar of Nova Scotia and became a lecturer at Dalhousie. In 1925 he moved to Osgoode Hall, became Dean and published several books on commercial law.

Then, in 1934, he was summoned to the rescue of the University of Manitoba where years of maladministration had culminated in the embezzlement of a sizable part of the university funds. The Westerners turned out to be, like the Maritimers, "the salt of the earth", and the youthful President proved to be a first-class administrator. In 1944 he became Principal of University College, Toronto, preparatory to higher office.

Meanwhile, he had been active in wider fields. He served as President of the Association for Adult Education, of the National Council of YMCAs and Chairman of the Canadian Youth Commission. He also took an active interest in politics and was mentioned on several occasions as a candidate for the Conservative leadership—he had married a great-niece of Sir Robert Borden. He let his name go forward for nomination at one convention, only to withdraw it in favor of John Bracken. It is not a position which still attracts him.

He assumed the leadership of Canada's largest university at a difficult time, due to war-dislocations and the post-war influx of veterans. His concrete achievement is embodied in the $21 million dollar program of building and renovation, of which the new Library is, perhaps, the most notable feature. No less important have been the successive increases in faculty salaries which have made U of T an exception to the rule in Canada and, indeed, one of the best-paying universities in the world. In the sphere of academic reform, he has been instrumental in developing the School of Graduate Studies and at-



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Nevertheless the greatest challenge lies ahead. "Prophecies and warnings about the impending crisis in numbers which faces Ontario universities are spoken and written year after year, but nothing has yet been done to forestall a very serious dilemma." The current enrolment in regular undergraduate courses is 11,000-odd. The President's *Report* sees after 1965 a "rapid and unprecedented increase" in the number of pupils reaching the age of 18. He has been recently featured as the leading minority exponent of restricting enrolment through tougher entrance standards.

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It is true he has stressed his concern with the high rate of failures among first- and second-year students and has come out in favor of aptitude tests, in addition to written entrance examinations. He is also known to favor the extension of technical institutes and junior colleges as a means both of providing a better preparatory education for the university and of siphoning-off those who would not, in any case, benefit by a university education. "A college career is not the only way to heaven," he has reminded the public. But no one knows better than he that, in the minds of the Canadian public, it is rapidly becoming the only way to Mink Row. It is, indeed, the President's very efficiency in selling education and "in serving the needs of the community" which is helping to snowball this demand, so that a university degree has become something which more and more employers expect as an indispensable qualification and more and more Canadians regard as an inalienable birthright. Nor are they to be fobbed off with discriminating theories about the true purpose of a university or with diplomas from less impressive institutions. Will the conditions requisite for what Dr. Smith calls "an aristocracy of talent" be sacrificed to the demands of mediocrity?

There is no reason to doubt that, as his speeches indicate, he sincerely believes in the traditional, liberal ideals of a university. Yet he is evidently committed, no less by the circumstances of his own career than by the situation of his university, to the functional role of a university in a modern "democratic" society.

He is, says one of his intimate associates, a man of "complicated simplicity". He likes to talk of killing "sacred cows", of "rousing sleeping dogs" (but one at a time). "Have gravel in your gizzard," he urges his brood. Yet occasional student outbursts of irreverence have been met with justifiable but slightly pompous rebukes for "bad taste".

Possibly the clue to his ambivalence is to be found in the latest of the presidential addresses. "We need a better grasp of the underlying principles of democracy. We need to know the ideals towards which the public policy is directed. We need a longer view . . . Politicians should be debating the general public philosophy rather than talking about particular issues. The student of British history recognizes the value of the Burkes and the Foxes, the Brights and the Cobdens whose public debates provided a rudder for the ship of state . . ." Did anyone in the History Department feel it timely to point out that, in fact, "the Burkes and the Foxes" took an officially unpopular stand on particular, close-to-the-knuckle issues — to which the "general public philosophy" was cogently related?

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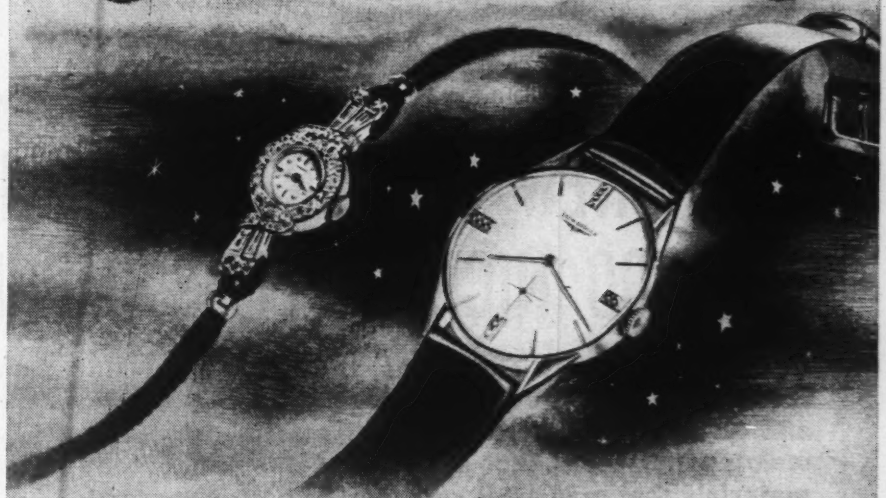

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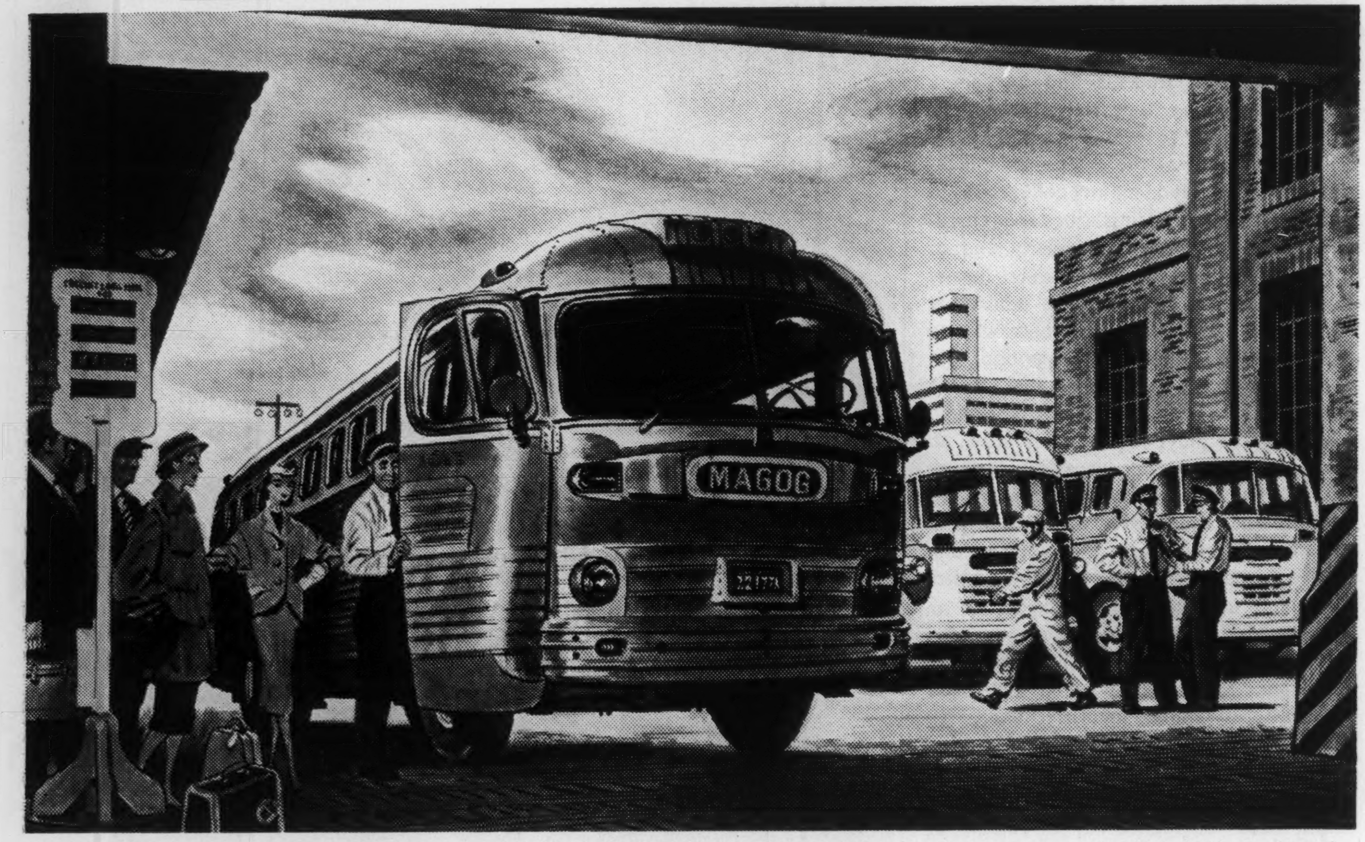

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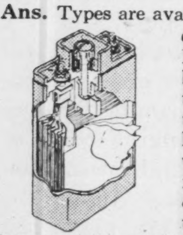
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Foreign Affairs

The Voice of Canada

by Adrian Liddell Hart

SINCE the cold war world began to thaw, the voice of Canada has been heard on a number of occasions. Even before the Hon. Paul Martin had made his contribution at the Disarmament discussions, the Hon. Lester Pearson had publicly suggested that the whole of our defence concepts might be outdated. A recent NATO meeting served as the occasion for referring to Canada's pet provision of the Treaty (Article 2), which calls for closer political and economic co-operation between member-states. The need to "present" Canada abroad through a great "cultural" campaign was agreed to by the Minister in the House of Commons. The Minister of Fisheries made some good-neighborly remarks in a more-or-less piscine context on his extensive tour through Russia and China. And now Mr. Pearson has taken the opportunity of putting the Canadian point of view on world affairs to the Soviet leaders in Moscow.

The voice of Canada is certainly being raised—but to what effect?

On the Kremlin engagement list the appointment with the Canadian Minister of External Affairs followed the one with the German Federal Chancellor last month. The two men could hardly be more dissimilar and the circumstances of their visits provide as great a contrast. Clearly, the Russians have no love for Dr. Adenauer and the octogenarian statesman was invited to Moscow simply because he happens to be at the moment the leader of a country for which the Russians have long-term plans. On the other hand there would appear on the surface to be no issues between Canada and Russia—apart from the great questions of general world security which have been considered at length elsewhere. Mr. Pearson is, we know, anxious to do all he can to settle these issues. But it takes two to make an appointment (and more than two in this case to settle anything). It is therefore interesting to consider why the Russians should have wanted to see the Canadian Minister of External Affairs in Moscow at this time.

It is possible, of course, that they wanted to see Mr. Pearson simply as Mr. Pearson. For in the post-war world, in which Canada is still something of a novelty, he has become a world figure in his own right. When I joined the staff of the United Nations after the war I used to hear people discussing—and praising—"Mike" Pearson for quite a time before I associated him with Canada. In accepting him in his role of world mediator, there is always a danger that the particular Cana-

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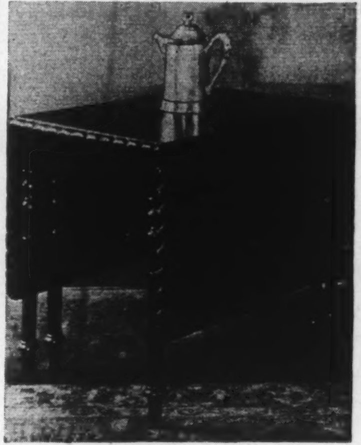

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dian interest in the question may be overlooked.

The "official" Russian view of Canada is no secret. It was set out in the latest edition of the Soviet Encyclopaedia. "It is a country dependent economically and politically upon the United States and to a lesser degree upon England." The party to which Mr. Pearson himself belongs "represents the big Canadian monopolies linked mainly with American capital" and its leaders "carry out a policy of complete subservience of the national interests of Canada to the imperialists of the U.S.A". (The Conservative party is said to want a strengthening of relations with England.) All things considered this appreciation of the situation is less extreme than might be expected. Significantly, it at least recognizes that Canada is a nation, with room to manoeuvre. And it is possible, indeed, that the Russians have begun to think in terms of a distinctive foreign policy towards this country.

In so far as Canada herself had any foreign policy before the last war, it was largely that of completing—and asserting—its independence from England. The Second World War made Canada a middle-power, in partnership with the U.S. and England. With a different front, the wartime alliance has continued. It has so far obviated the necessity for a definition of Canada's position in the modern world as an independent power. Canadian thinking has been dominated by the popular conception of the "golden hinge" or, less poetically, the "honest broker" between the two great countries with which there are special and traditional links.

In the last, realistic analysis, this conception always had a doubtful validity and it is one which the External Affairs Department seems to have been anxious for some time to play down. Nevertheless it could serve as a feasible and worthy approach to world affairs so long as the cold war continued to give rise to familar pressures and loyalties. Indeed, this approach found a temporarily satisfactory instrument in NATO to which the Canadian Government committed itself with more enthusiasm, perhaps, than any of the other participants.

Out of this enthusiasm has emerged one of the two characteristic and distinctive features of Canadian diplomacy today, the aspiration towards a fuller NATO integration. Yet what does NATO really represent? It is an organization of countries — U.S., Britain, France, Portugal, Turkey, Greece—which have nothing much in common save fear of a Russian attack. And far from offering hope of further political or economic integration, the relaxation of tension is already undermining the military unity of the alliance—a unity which the refusal of the Americans to commit their strategic air forces and the reluctance of the French to accept the Germans had already prejudiced.

Writing in the October issue of *Foreign Affairs,* Mr. Pearson has called for a broad reappraisal of NATO strategy and suggested the withdrawal of Canadian air contingents to North America (where, I gather, he would also like to see contingents from the European countries). "North America in a very vital sense may be a NATO centre of as great importance to the defence of Europe as any defence line or barrier in that country itself." This may be sound strategy, but it can hardly be claimed as an encouragement to the fuller political development of NATO by its European members.

The other characteristic feature of Canadian diplomacy today is the bond with India, out of which has grown the conception of the Commonwealth, through the India-Canada axis, as a "bridge between East and West".

The mainsprings of this relationship are partly historical—the habit of looking at Asia from the British-Indian approach—and partly personal, in the way that Messrs. St. Laurent, Pearson and Escott Reid have hit it off with Mr. Nehru. It could also be argued that the bond depends more on an absence of mutual entanglements than a community of real interests. Nevertheless, the Canadian-Indian association on truce commissions has proved politically beneficial. And there are grounds for hoping that the economic results of this partnership will also be beneficial. The announcement, for instance, last month that Canada will be sending an atomic reactor to India may lead to bigger things. The only worrying aspect of this entente is the succession to Mr. Nehru himself.

For the rest, External Affairs policy seems to be largely based on an optimistic expectation that no awkward choices will arise in the near future. The Chinese will not push North Viet-Nam into invading the South; the Indonesians will be able to

Lester Pearson: World figure.

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resist Communist subversion; the Israelis will be able to defend themselves if attacked; the South Africans won't walk out of the Commonwealth if the Gold Coast (in which Canada is planning an important economic stake) is admitted to the Commonwealth; the French will get their new plans accepted in North Africa. There remains, of course, the crucial issue of Red China, Formosa and the off-shore islands which so disturbed U.S.-Canadian relations earlier in the year. The prospect that Mr. Nixon will be in charge at the White House is not one which, on the record of his statements, should encourage any complacency on this score.

In 1947 Mr. St. Laurent gave an address on Canadian policy in world affairs which laid down that the preservation of national unity was the first principle, and the pursuit of several political or moral ideals were the other principles, of our foreign policy. Ottawa believes this unity can best be preserved and these ideals realized through the "complementary" associations of which Canada is a member. Certainly Canadian prestige in the world has risen high in the fulfillment or attempted fulfillment of this policy. And in so far as history shows that world prestige and a "sense of mission" do help to bind a nation together, Canadian national unity may have been not only preserved but furthered in the process.

There remains, however, the question whether Canadian policy is measuring up to the opportunities—and dangers—of a world which is ceasing to be polarized into two great camps. On the long view Canada is, primarily, a vastly wealthy and strategically important land lying between the two greatest countries in the world. With her "northern neighbor" she shares, indeed, many of the challenges of future development, and some of the inherent possibilities of friction, which have existed in the past with the United States—and still do exist as far as economic problems are concerned. No one can confidently suggest that Canada should try to maintain a balance of sympathy between her two neighbors or to cast herself for the role of a neutral buffer zone. But taking a long view at the inescapable destiny of this country we should seek to avoid any hard-and-fast commitments, based on "continental" defence. We should rather seek to promote a security system which will guarantee the inviolability of our territory and the freedom of our markets.

Neither NATO nor the Commonwealth constitutes the basis for a dynamic diplomacy, however useful they may still be as expedients—or ideals. This is not to advocate "entrenched continentalism". The realities of world strategy and the Canadian economic future require this country to deal with each of its powerful neighbors as nation to nation. Mr. Pearson's mission to Moscow will mark an historic development if it leads to recognition of this fact.

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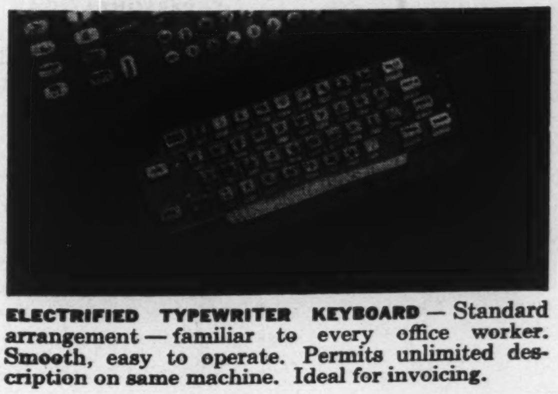

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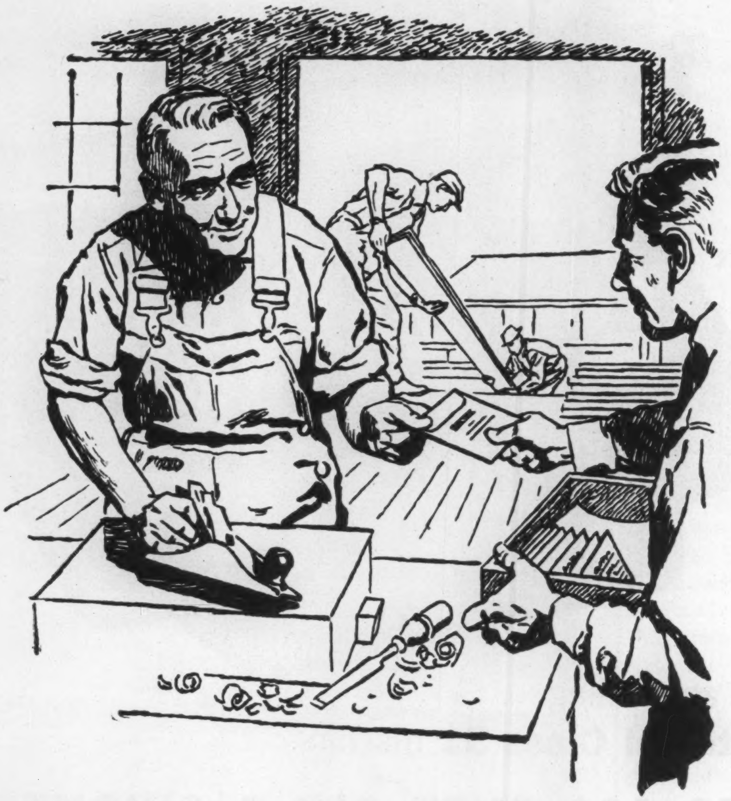

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The public schools: What kind of training for democracy?

Letter from Washington

Public Education: A National Disgrace

by Max Freedman

THE public school, once the cradle of American democracy, has now become the target of criticism and a burden on the economy. It is a common complaint in Washington, where the schools are at least as good as in any other section of the United States, that a child cannot get a satisfactory education.

Many of my friends have been opposed on principle to sending their children to a private school; they have believed, with justice, that nothing could take the place of the public school as a training for democracy; and yet they have felt compelled to enroll their child in a private school as they watched the low standards and defective methods of the public system.

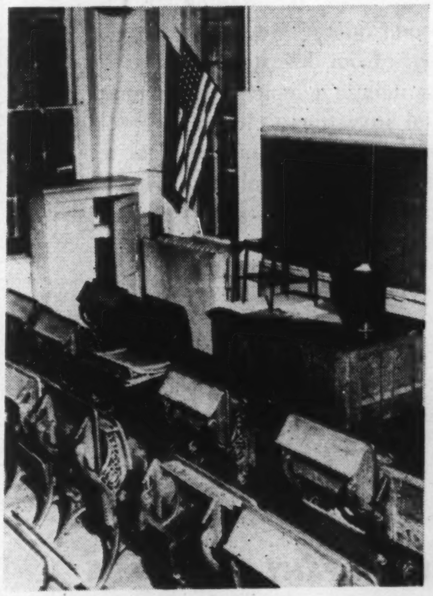
For some time I believed that this criticism of the public schools was unjust. After studying the records of the National Education Association, and listening to the speeches at its convention, it is impossible for me to hold this faith any longer.

No one could have described the unfortunate condition of the public school system with more devastating candor than did these officials whose lives have been dedicated to the cause of education. It was a familiar story: ill-paid teachers, inadequately trained teachers, large classes, over-simplified courses, excessive reliance on making education meet the requirements of the plodding mediocrity.

The association acknowledged the crisis which has overtaken the public schools by announcing that it will conduct a campaign to persuade the Federal Government to give emergency aid on the scale of a billion dollars annually for several years to save the school system. Adlai Stevenson has expressed concern at the problems which have overwhelmed the public schools; and President Eisenhower has called a conference on education for this fall.

As so often happens when educational matters are under debate, nothing really adequate has been undertaken until the problem has grown malignant. At long last the national conscience has been quickened into protest and perhaps into action.

It should be realized that the difficulties have been complicated in the Southern states where segregated public schools have been outlawed by the Supreme Court. At least three states have said that they will abolish their public schools rather than let colored and white children sit in the same classroom. A few other communities have made menacing ges-



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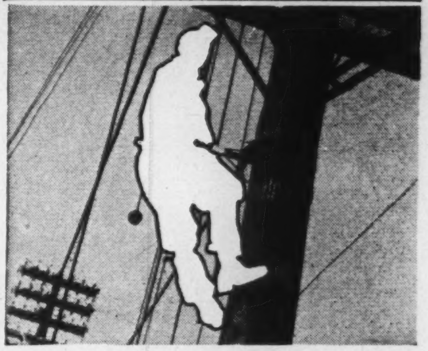

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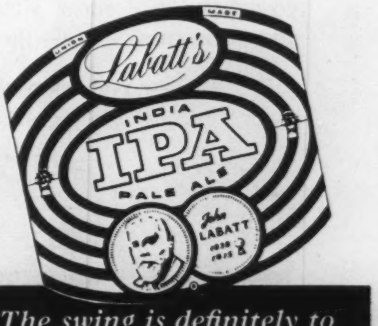

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tures. In general, however, there has been a desire to comply with the Supreme Court's ruling, provided that local problems are fully recognized. These Southern states are quite unable to finance their new needs out of their limited budgets. There must be increased federal aid if the Supreme Court's decision is to be given practical fulfillment. But this aspect of the problem arouses instant difficulties in Congress. The friends of education must show considerable skill in presenting their case if they are to avoid being entangled in a quarrel over the color question.

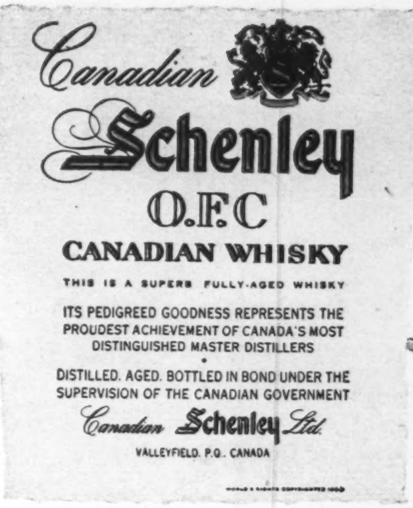
Quite apart from this particular issue, it is my belief that the public schools of Canada are demonstrably superior to their counterparts in the United States. There has been a lamentable refusal here to realize that education is a hard discipline requiring much toil and vexatious thought. But education can be a gallant adventure as well as a laborious discipline.

It is my contention that the American public school system has degenerated so much that it stands in danger of becoming a calculated conspiracy against talent. Of course, there are shining exceptions, and many districts with admirable schools; but the broad indictment stands.

Nothing is more foolish or self-defeating, it must be added, than to criticize the private schools. The task is to improve the public system, not to abuse the private academies.

I am writing about the education of young Americans instead of about many current political problems because I am convinced that the destiny of the entire free world will depend, in coming years, upon what happens to this new campaign to raise the standards of the school system. There are many men in Congress, belonging to both parties, who are almost passionately committed to this campaign. Unfortunately, they are in a minority; against them is arrayed a mass of inert prejudice, based upon the complacent conviction that few votes are to be won by advocating higher taxes for education.

It will be a test of the vitality and direction of American democracy to discover whether the National Education Association will get a favorable response from Washington to its campaign or whether it will have to contrive half-hearted reforms because Washington has given its favors in grudging and reluctant measure. It is shameful that things should have been allowed to drift to this emergency. At least the problem is now in the open, and public opinion has its chance to prevail against the sluggish sanctions of custom and inertia. It will be a shabby destiny for American democracy if this quickened interest in educational problems fails to end the slow decline of the public schools and fails to begin the process of restoring them to an honored place in the American community.



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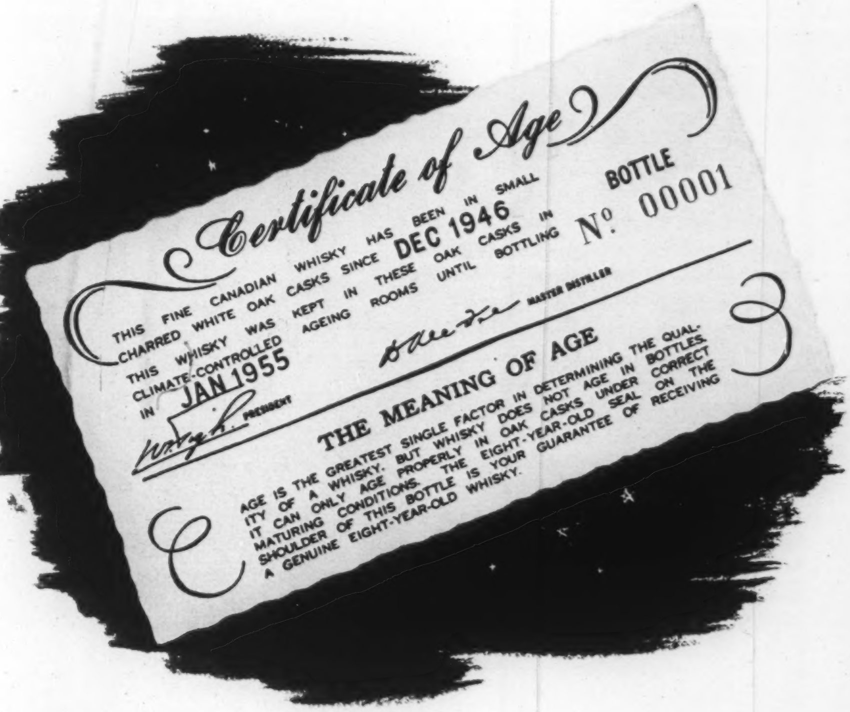

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Films

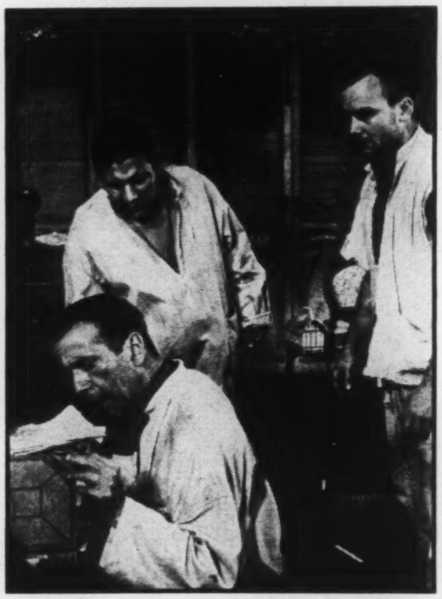
Exported Violence

by Mary Lowrey Ross

A RATHER disarming quality in the American nation is the candor with which it exposes itself to outside criticism. Hollywood especially is always prepared to hang the nation's dirty linen right on the line, without the faintest regard for what the neighbors may say. The neighbors, of course, have plenty to say, particularly on the subject of the violence and lawlessness of American life. But nothing they can invent has half the eloquence of the testimony that the movies are willing to present unsolicited, complete with documentation. Want to see how the United States of America treats its nationals in war time? Interested in a study of home-grown hooliganism or an exposé of American violence exported to the East? Take a look, then, at *Bad Day at Black Rock* or *Violent Saturday, Blackboard Jungle* or *Soldier of Fortune,* or *House of Bamboo.*

Actually, of course, these studies are no more descriptive of life in America than the front pages of *News of the World* are descriptive of home life in Great Britain. Generally speaking, they are there for their sensationalism. In part, however, they may be there to prove, in the spirit of pure ingenuous chauvinism, that crime in America is better organized than anywhere else on earth, and only a shade less ingeniously set up than the forces on hand to control it.

House of Bamboo is one of the first pictures to take occupied Japan as the setting for its story. Under the circumstances it might have seemed gratifying to national self-esteem if the picture had provided as a sort of secondary theme, a study of Japan gratefully taking over, under American supervision, the very best principles of American democracy. To the average moviegoer, however, this would seem rather remote, a theoretical approach unenlivened by any familiar evocation. So in *House of Bamboo* the producers, shifting to safe ground, produced the most familiar American evocation of all—the American gangster transplanted to Tokyo, equipped with American criminal knowhow in all its branches and surrounded by a picked group of American hoodlums, every man with his special certificate, a dishonorable discharge from the U.S. Army.



We're No Angels: *Humphrey Bogart, Peter Ustinov and Aldo Ray.*

The gangster (Robert Ryan) comes, of course, to a bad end, but not till he has organized a system of robbery and violence that leaves a chain of corpses halfway across the flowery kingdom. It is a routine thriller whose chief interest lies in its alien setting—the spare and fragile Japanese interiors, the huddled wooden shops, the quaint sculptured parks. Violence here is let loose in a toy world, with miniature policemen scurrying in all directions. In the end, however, an American military sergeant comes to the rescue and wings the aggressor on the top of a tower in a Tokyo amusement park. The rescuing sergeant is played impenetrably by Robert Stark. Shirley Yamaguchi, as the Japanese heroine, gives a first-rate impersonation of a second-rate Hollywood star.

We're No Angels is almost as sentimental as Dickens' "Christmas Carol" but unhappily can't be said to have the universal appeal of that seasonal masterpiece, since it belabors its story — the predicament of an honest family when three escaped criminals from a Devil's Island compound drop in—almost to a standstill. The hosts, a family of struggling shopkeepers, are deeply involved in bookkeeping problems, and the guests—Humphrey Bogart, Peter Ustinov and Aldo Ray, feel impelled by the Christmas spirit to straighten everything out. They accomplish this by overselling the customers, juggling the books and killing off a couple of officious relatives who drop in to check the accounts.

This particular blend of mayhem and merriment can be depended on only if the dramatist has a highly gifted sense of the outrageous, a quality that seems to be lacking in *We're No Angels.* Leo Carroll, Gloria Talbott and Joan Bennett represent the family and Basil Rathbone is one of the obnoxious relatives bumped off by the obliging guests. Under the general strain even the impassive Humphrey Bogart allows himself occasionally the privilege of mugging.

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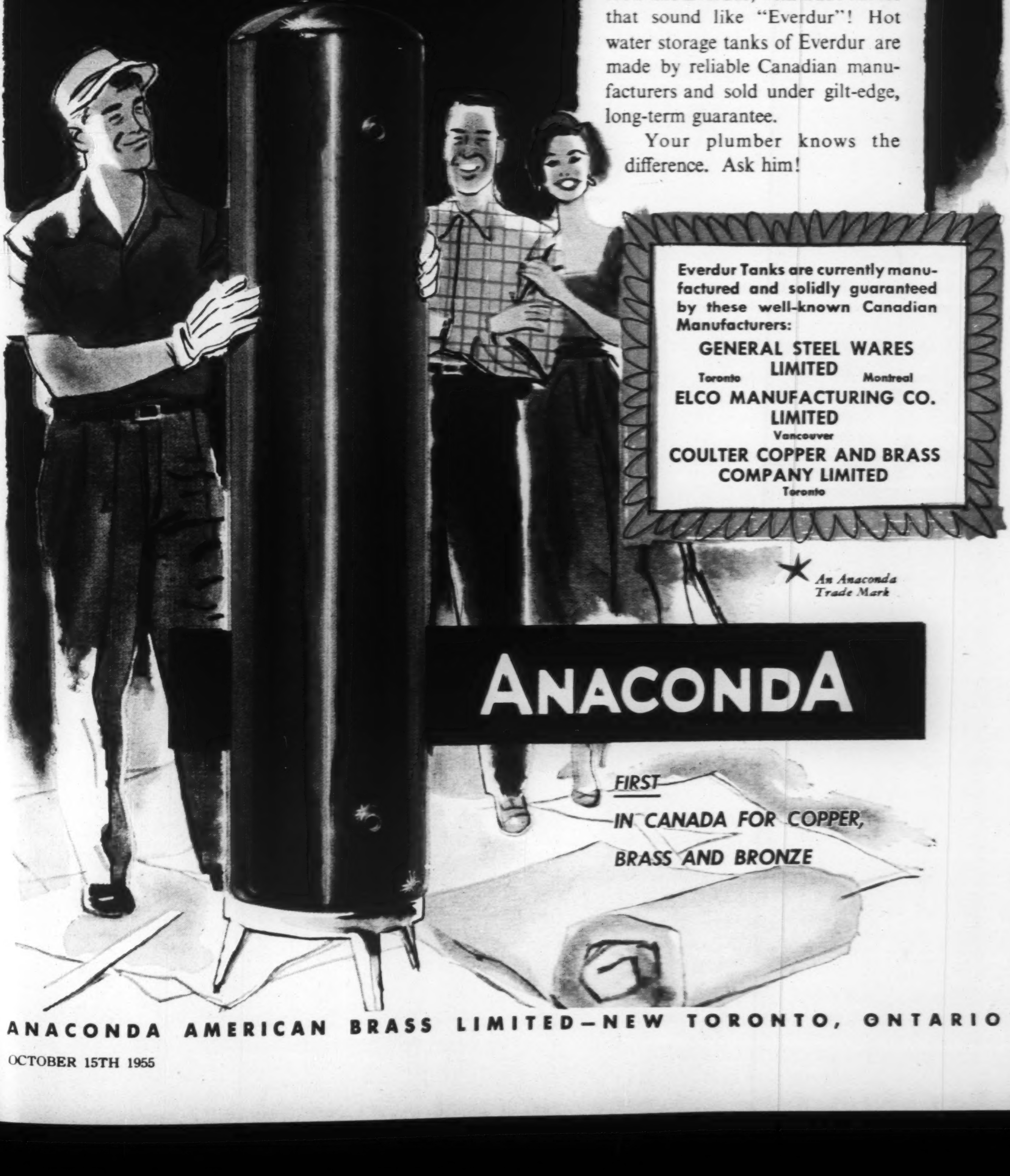

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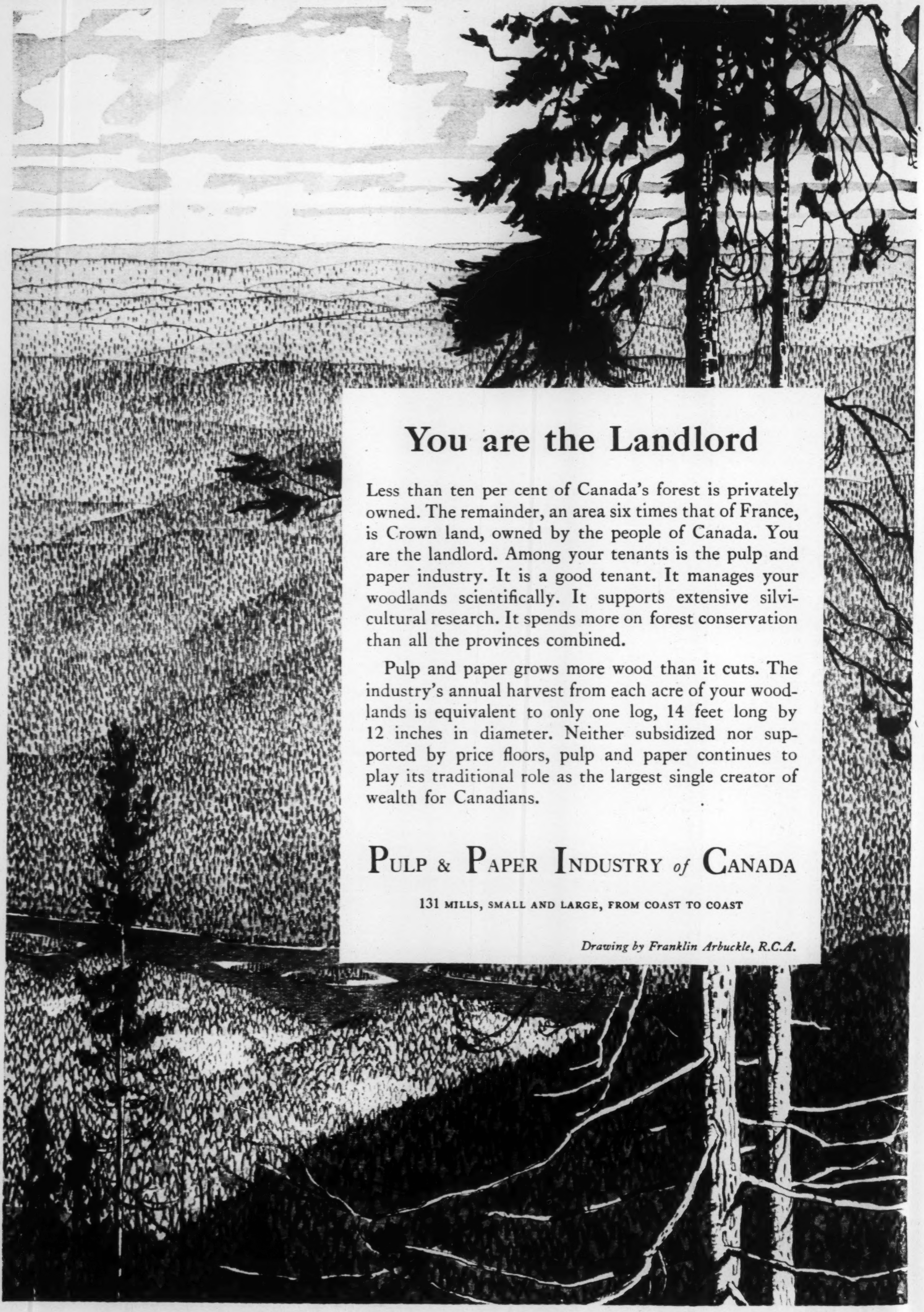

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Elephantine Novels

by Robertson Davies

"I LOVE those great still books," wrote Alfred, Lord Tennyson to his son Hallam. "I wish there were a great novel in hundreds of volumes that I might go on and on." Tennyson, thou shouldst be living at this hour; the modern novel would come close to meeting your requirements. I have just finished the second volume of Evelyn Waugh's *Men At Arms,* Herman Wouk's 565 pages of *Marjorie Morningstar,* and the two volumes, 930 pages of *The Tontine* by Thomas B. Costain, and for the moment I am fed full with fiction.

The Waugh book, called *Officers and Gentlemen* is not too long—a modest 335 pages, not one of which, and not a line of which, could have been spared. Waugh is one of the most economical writers living, in words and in emotion; he never hits his reader with a sledge-hammer when he can knock him over with a feather. In the new book he finishes the military adventures of Guy Crouchback, telling a tale of defeat and disillusionment with brilliant economy and striking effect; he never piles on the agony, and he never screams in print, but he can make us sweat, and he can make us sense the heart of danger and despair. The battle scenes in this book—perhaps it would be better to call them the scenes of retreat—are among the best that I have read anywhere. The people who are convinced that Waugh is simply a funnyman will find plenty of amusement in the book, but the grin is the grin of a death's head; this is a very bitter book, though the bitterness is implied rather than fully stated. Unlike most of the critics whose comments

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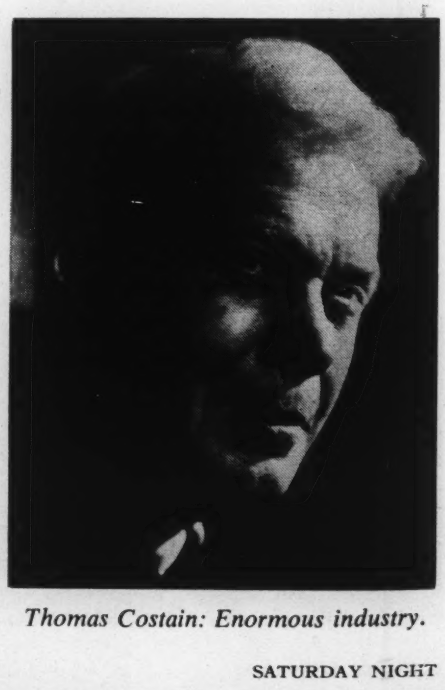
on this book I have seen, I think that Waugh has added to his stature and is moving towards great things.

Taking leave of Waugh, we take leave also of economy and that art of selection which the first-rate novelist must possess. *Marjorie Morningstar* is an immensely detailed record of the life of a commonplace New York girl of Jewish background, from her first emergence as an adult, through her years of seeking a stage career, through an immensely prolonged seduction, to a good but commonplace marriage. Obviously Mr. Wouk is fascinated by the trivia of such a life, and like many an author before him he has fallen in love with his heroine; he broods over Marjorie, fears for her virtue, and is indulgent to her faults, like a lover.

But this reader, for one, could not share his concern. Marjorie's virginity is a technical thing; she avoids sleeping with a man, but she does not avoid the hardness, the trashy outlook, the shallow cynicism which a rowdy life might have brought. Mr. Wouk does not, like Blake, think that virginity is a matter of having the body in the soul's keeping; he ranks it, like a first set of teeth, as a strictly physical attribute to be retained as long as possible. Personally I found Marjorie a hard, shallow, silly little person who, however intact her hymen, had lost her virginity of spirit by the age of fifteen.

Nor was I impressed by her struggle to escape from her Jewish background, and her final contentment within it. Nor did I care about the complexities and insufficiencies of her lover, Noel Airman, born Saul Ehrmann. Mr. Wouk gives us these things at great length; presumably we are expected, in the Tennysonian manner, to creep into the novel and live among its people as we read, sharing their daily lives and preoccupations. But Mr. Wouk's people are not interesting enough to persuade us to do that; most of us know



Thomas Costain: Enormous industry.

Herman Wouk: Fascinated by trivia.

enough cheap and insufficient and silly people in our ordinary, non-reading life. What we demand in fiction is either a vastly more brilliant mass of detail than Wouk offers, or else a distillment of experience, enlivened by comment from the author.

Mr. Wouk could probably write a novel on the latter of these two principles if he chose. There are splendid things in *Marjorie Morningstar.* The *seder,* which is wrecked by a monstrous child called Neville Sapersteen, who has to have forty-seven toy airplanes always at hand if he is not to suffer a psychic trauma, is a wonderful scene of comedy and pathos. And the marriage of Marsha Zelenko, which is turned to farce by an electronic instrument called a theremin, is hilarious. But these finely realized scenes are lonely currants in an exceedingly doughy loaf.

If the people in novels are not in some way extraordinary, we like the author to view them from an extraordinary point of vantage. Mr. Wouk's people are dull, and his heroine is a pretty girl with a shoddy soul. He has tried to make the Jewish faith the moral core of his novel, but he has never given life to that faith by presenting it greatly. Can little people embrace anything that is not little in their religion? Mr. Wouk has given us no reason to think so.

Thomas B. Costain is an immensely popular and successful writer, and I think that this must be because he is a fine contriver of plots. He writes very dull prose and he has no gift for creating atmosphere. *The Tontine* has a splendid plot—a plot that Dickens or Thackeray or Trollope would have made into a great novel—but for the judicious reader it is hard going. A tontine is an elaborate combination of gamble and insurance in which a limited number of people invest a fixed sum of money which is re-invested for twenty years; after that time the original

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In a historical novel, however, we have a right to something more than an ingenious plot. We like a few characters, if the author can supply them, who are interesting and memorable; we also like a lively picture of whatever period the plot is set in. *The Tontine* covers the time from 1815 to near the close of the nineteenth century. This is a fully documented period, and most readers will have some knowledge of its history, and also a sense of its atmosphere. They will resent Mr. Costain's carelessness, therefore, in his use of slang; late nineteenth century words like "oof" for money, and "hoodlum" should not be used in the dialogue of 1815.

Nor should he put people in a hansom cab in 1815, for J. A. Hansom was not born till 1803, and presumably did not invent his carriage in his twelfth year. Nor did girls "graduate" from young ladies' schools of the Waterloo period. Nor was there a Thames Embankment till 1870. And why are poems by Sheridan and Cowper misquoted? And why talk of actresses using "grease-paint" long before it was invented? And why attribute a Gilbert and Sullivan song to the wrong operetta, and misquote it as well? These are but a few of Mr. Costain's howlers, all of which could have been prevented by reference to books which he probably has within reach of his writing desk.

Of course, Dumas was just as careless as Mr. Costain. But Dumas could create people, which Costain cannot. He has little aptitude for dialogue, and the more colloquial he tries to be the more awkward he becomes. A very long book like *The Tontine* must have characters who can engross us; these sawdust people are not good enough.

Mr. Costain is enormously industrious and ingenious, and he has reaped the rewards of these admirable qualities. His failure to create character is obviously not fatal to his success. But he really should not write so sloppily as he does, especially since he has made the leap from historical novelist to historian. Not, that is, if he expects to be taken seriously in either capacity.

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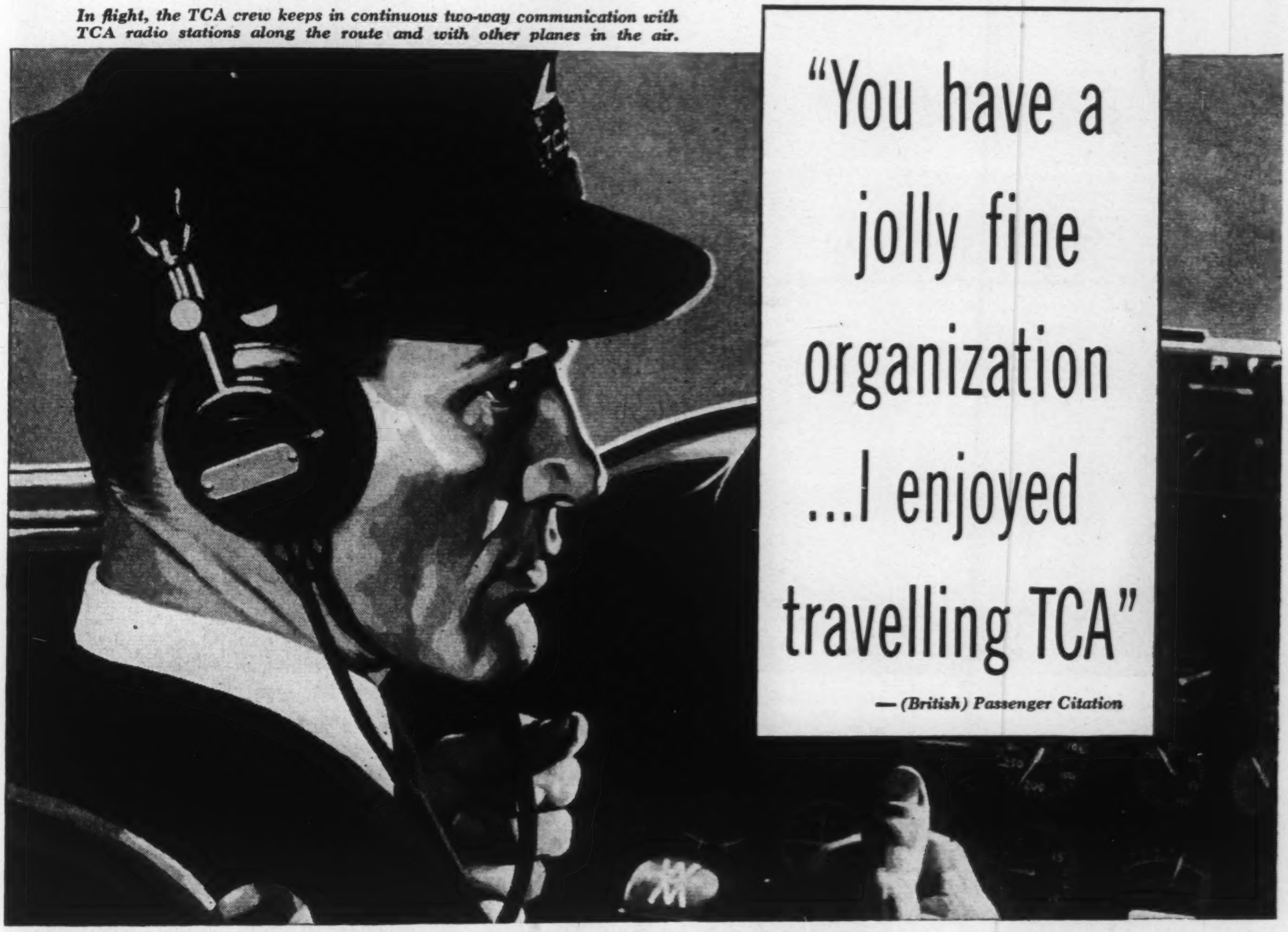
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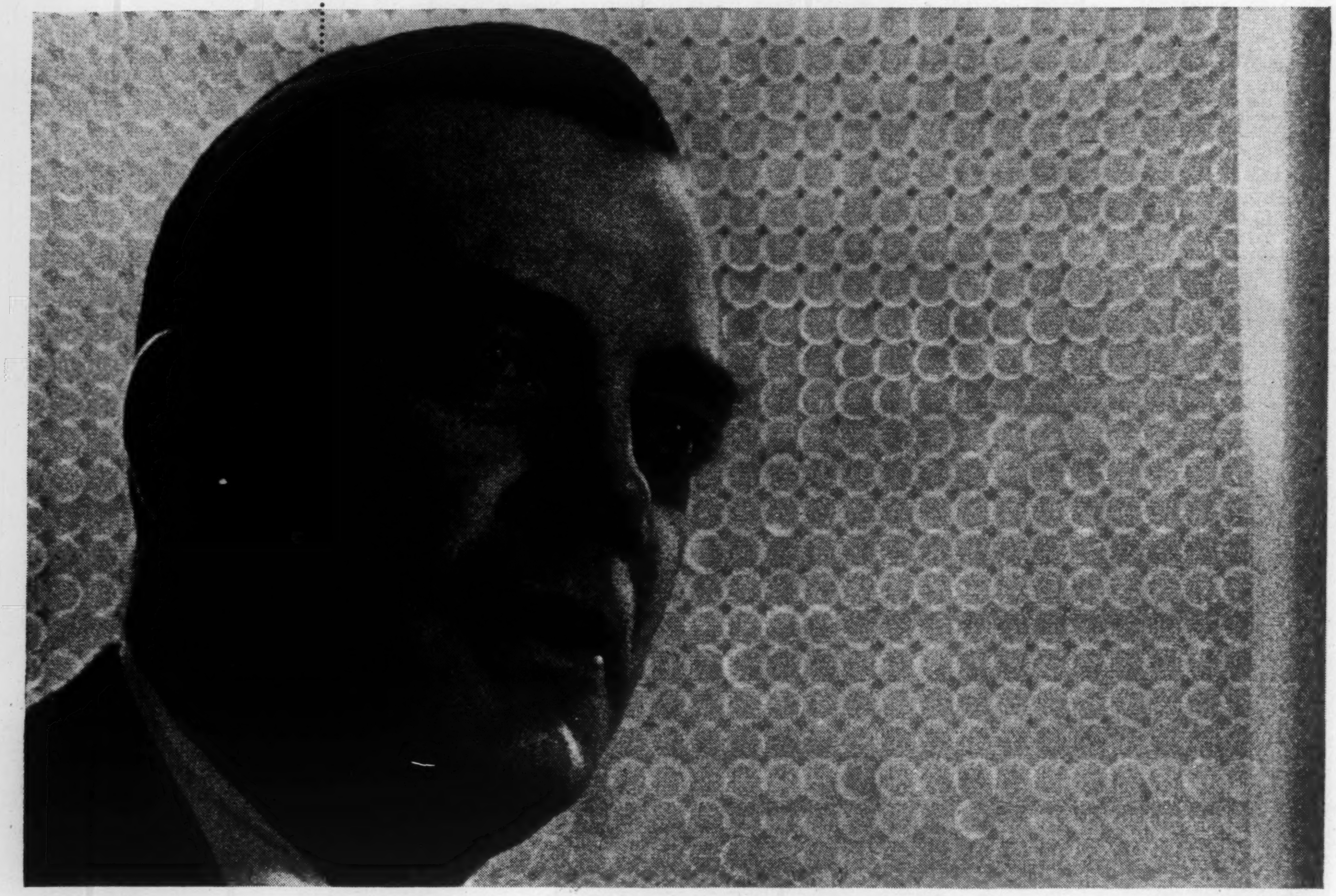

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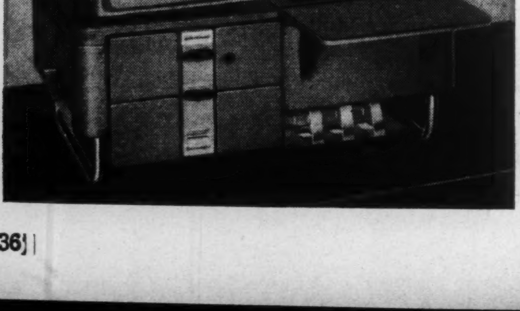

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by Hugh Garner

What's My Line is a panel quiz show in which four panel members, usually Dorothy Kilgallen, Fred Allen, Arlene Francis and Bennett Cerf, try to guess the workaday occupations of guests, who are paid sums up to fifty dollars for appearing on the show. The occupation of each contestant is shown on the television screen, for the edification of the viewing audience. The guests are picked for the oddity of their jobs, and, supposedly, for the difficulty the panel will have in guessing what they do for a living.

A short time ago I watched *What's My Line* for the first time in months, and sat there in a huh-huh frame of mind as the panel picked off a girdle manufacturer, the owner of a girls' softball team, and the guide from a Kentucky cave. The final contestant was a man who builds jail cells. Starting with Bennett Cerf, each member of the panel took several wild guesses, but none was even close. Then the second turn came to guest panelist Mary Healey. She, in feigned innocence, asked, "Does your job have something to do with jails or penitentiaries?"

I have not watched a panel quiz show since, but I have learned quite a bit about them.

At one time panel shows were completely honest, and were a lot of fun. Several of them made the list of top ten television shows. They supplied entertainment for millions, as they still do, although their popularity has diminished. Unwilling to let well enough alone, the producers began feeding advance information to one or two panel members on each show in order to raise the percentage of correct guesses.

Today, according to people who should know, no quiz show goes on the air without at least one of its members knowing the identity, the secret, or the occupation of some of the contestants.

Another quiz show, *I've Got a Secret,* presents a panel formed of Henry Morgan, Jayne Meadows, Bill Cullen and Faye Emerson, with Gary Moore as MC. This program, as childishly simple and bratty as its title, also resorts to trickery. A short time ago a young man appeared on the show with a secret about himself. Over the television screen the word was flashed to the palpitating audience that he was none other than Henry Morgan's wartime drill instructor. Morgan, of all people, failed to identify him, but Jayne Meadows did.

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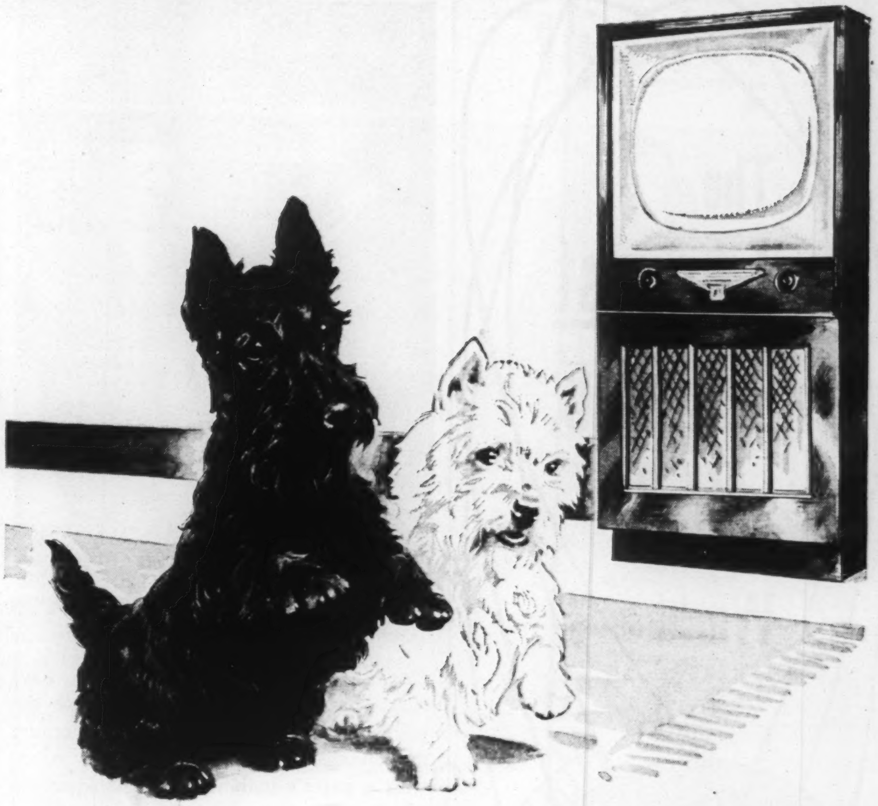

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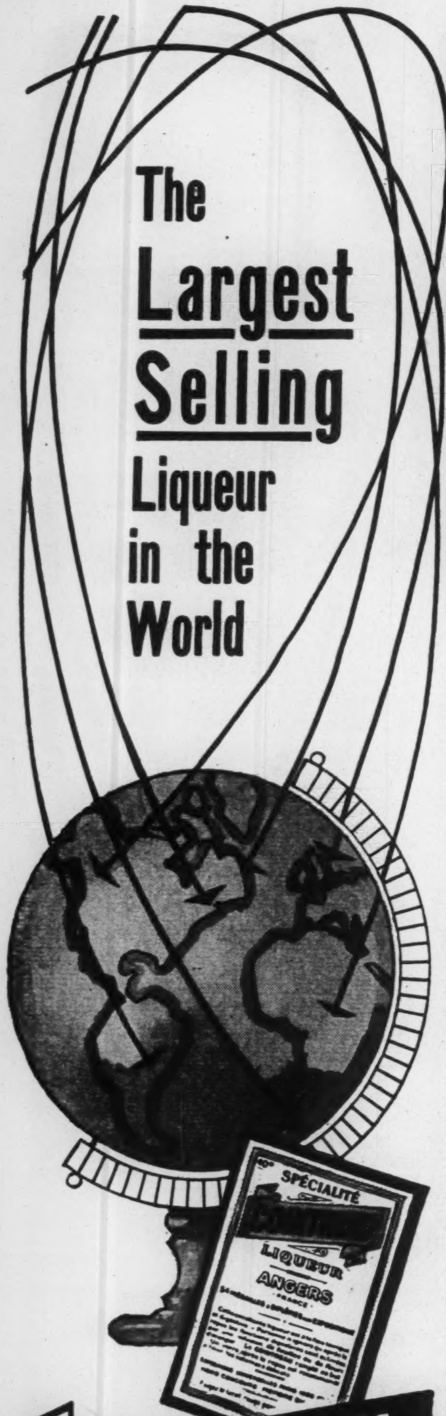

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Steve Allen, when he was on *What's My Line,* was used as a straight man, and was furnished a list of questions to ask the guests. He rebelled against this, on the grounds that his own questions were funnier than the slanted ones furnished by the producers. And Hal Block, who preceded Allen on the program, quit because he felt a rigged show was dishonest.

On *I've Got a Secret* the panelists are told not to be in a hurry to give what they think is the correct answer; none of the viewers is likely to remember who actually guessed what.

There are a few reasonably legitimate rules that are invoked to give the shows life and bounce. On *I've Got a Secret* all questions dealing with sport subjects are given first to Jayne Meadows, whose lack of knowledge of sports is always good for a laugh. Buff Cobb, a regular panelist on *Masquerade Party,* says, "We are given two things in advance. We are told what the disguises of the guests will be, and are given certain questions to ask some of them. Also, the member of the panel who starts the round with each guest is not to guess the identity of the person until at least a minute goes by."

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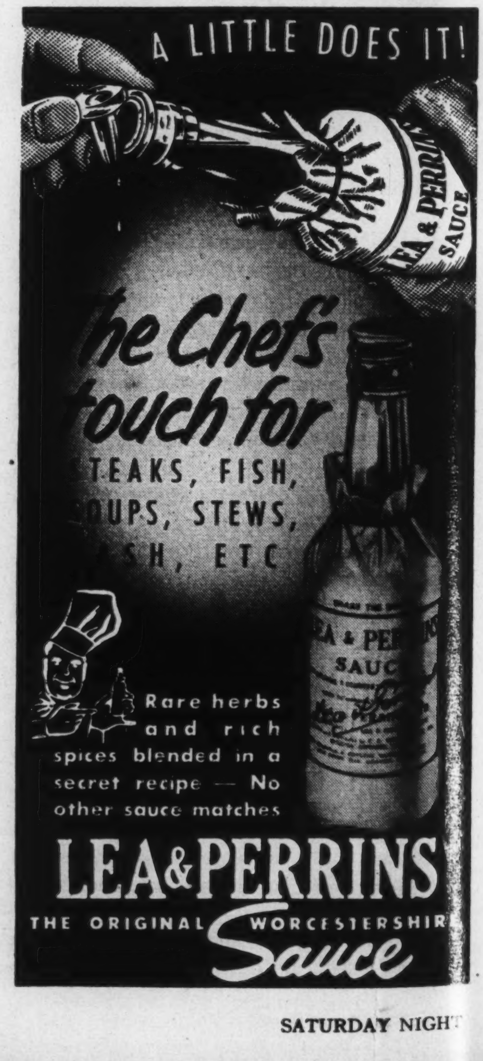

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Current Account

Canadian With a Tough Job

by Harry Rasky

THE MAN with the most important and perhaps most impossible job in the Middle East today is a Canadian. He's 58-year-old Major-General E. L. M. Burns, DSO, OBE, MC, chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervising Organization in Palestine.

In an era in which generals have become "men of peace" his job is to bring peace in place of an uneasy truce between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

Fresh from witnessing a border incident along the Gaza strip, I went to see him. To get to his office you have to receive a special military pass and drive along a narrow corridor through divided Jerusalem. On one side is the new city, booming with construction and vigor as the Israelis rush to complete it as their capital. On the other side of the city wall is the old city, clinging to history. Armed men and guns face each other across the wall, in some cases across the same street.

The UN Truce Supervisory building is as calm a place as a Canadian country mansion. General Burns works in his shirt sleeves at a large desk in a spacious office once owned by the British mandate government. One wall is covered with maps of Israel. Heavy lines mark the borders, and I got the impression immediately that some heavy lines have formed around General Burns's eyes from watching those borders.

In a slow, pleasant, unmilitary voice, General Burns said, "My chief problem here is suspicion. Sometimes I am able to bring the Israelis and the Arabs to agree with me around a conference table. But then next day I read in the paper that the people I have spoken to say that the other side is not really willing to accept my proposals.

"I don't think that I am fighting a losing battle here. I think that eventually peace will come to this area. But it's going to take a long time and we must be patient.

"I think that both sides really want to make peace. A new war here could only lead to disaster. The problem is that the terms of both sides are so far apart."

So far apart are the terms, in fact, that Israeli political and military leaders confided that they no longer really expect the Arabs to make peace in this generation. Israeli Premier Moshe Sharret and Major-General Moshe Dayan, Chief of Staff, have both recently said that they expect the armed truce to continue for at least 20 years. And they are prepared for it.

Although the area of Israel is only 8,100 square miles, it has 400 miles of frontier. Except in the arid Negev desert in the south, no Israeli settlement is more than 20 miles from an Arab frontier. But militarization is such a powerful force in Israel that the citizens of the new state feel they are ready for any major military problem. Each woman, on reaching the age of 18, spends two years in the army. Men are drafted for two and a half years. Almost all of Israel's 1,600,000 people can operate a gun.

Since General Burns took office a little over a year ago, almost all of the border problems have been confined to one area, the Gaza strip. About them, General Burns told me, "On either side of the border there is a military force. Neither side will move its force back. So, naturally, there are incidents. I consider the situation there dangerous."

I travelled along the Gaza border and found this is the situation: On the Egyptian side there are fixed fortifications, with guards who keep a watchful eye on the border. Along the Israel side there are small, dirt, military roads which are patrolled regularly by young Israel soldiers in either jeeps or command cars. Sometimes, for accidental or other reasons, the jeep will leave the road, or perhaps a nervous Egyptian guard will think the jeep has crossed over. He will open fire. The Israeli soldiers will return the small arms fire and radio for artillery help. Guns from the Israel side shell the Egyptian position. Men are wounded or killed on both

General Burns: Objective peace.

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sides. And that is called an "incident".

Either side — depending on which one feels innocent — will ask the local Mixed Armistice Commission to investigate. The Commission consists of a UN observer, and an officer from either side. Their report is transmitted to General Burns in Jerusalem. In case of major incidents, such as the ones of a few weeks ago, he visits the area himself to issue a report to the Security Council of the UN.

In military terms, General Burns is a soldier with an objective to "take". That objective in the Holy Land is peace. He took me to the roof of the UN building and showed me his battlefield.

On the left I saw the new city, the new Jerusalem with the bright YMCA building towering over it, the work going on at the new Hebrew University, the construction of the building for the Knesset, the parliament.

On the right I looked out over the old city. The sun baking down on the Mount of Olives where stands the old Jewish cemetery, now deserted, made it look like a giant sheet of parchment.

Directly below me an Arab gardener puttered about in the hot sun. This was an oasis of peace in a desert of tension.

But along the Gaza strip, on occasion, the Israelis feel that they can understand "Arab mentality" better and prefer to "take the law into their own hands." Their policy is one of flat and open retaliation. If the UN cannot keep the Arabs from attacking, it is the Israeli philosophy that the Arabs understand the "eye for an eye, a life for a life, an attack for an attack" philosophy.

General Burns told me he "deplores" this kind of thinking.

On the other side, the Arab states point to the problem of the refugees as a key impediment to peace. There are 900,000 refugees camped on Israel's borders waiting for some kind of justice, whether it come from Israel, the UN or the world at large. Israelis will tell you, "We did not ask them to leave during our War of Independence. They were ordered out by their own leaders. Now there is no room for them."

Whatever the reason for their state at the moment, the Arab refugees remain as one of the world's most impossible problems.

The very existence of the UN Truce Supervising Organization, under General Burns's command at least diminishes the possibility of an all-out conflict in the Middle-East. In a way he is attempting to enforce the commandment that was written on the very land he guards—"Thou shalt not kill".

Should General Burns, a man trained for war, bring peace to the unpeaceful Holy Land, he and Canada will not be forgotten in the chronicles of the Jewish and Arab lands.

Business

How the Canadian Economy Looks Today

by W. F. Lougheed

As we enter the final quarter of the year, the Canadian economy undoubtedly will reflect the renewed optimism that began to emerge during the late spring. The recovery from the decline that set in during mid-1954 is evident in many segments of business and industry, although, as might be expected, the growing diversity in productive output has provided mixed trends in specific operations. Yet this diversity has, in effect, made it possible to absorb the impact of changing domestic and international conditions without unduly affecting the over-all stability of the economy. With the widening and strengthening of over - all demand our economy should reach new (aggregate) heights of production by year-end and the momentum generated should maintain this level well on into 1956.

One of our more popular indicators of economic activity—Gross National Product—is now about 7 to 8 per cent higher than in 1954, and seasonally adjusted at annual rates is estimated to have risen to about $26 billion as compared with $24 billion during the calendar year 1954. National Income shows improvement in most of its constituent parts with the exception of farm income. Labor income also has increased and recent figures suggest that the rate of increase is keeping pace with the rate of growth in Gross National Production.

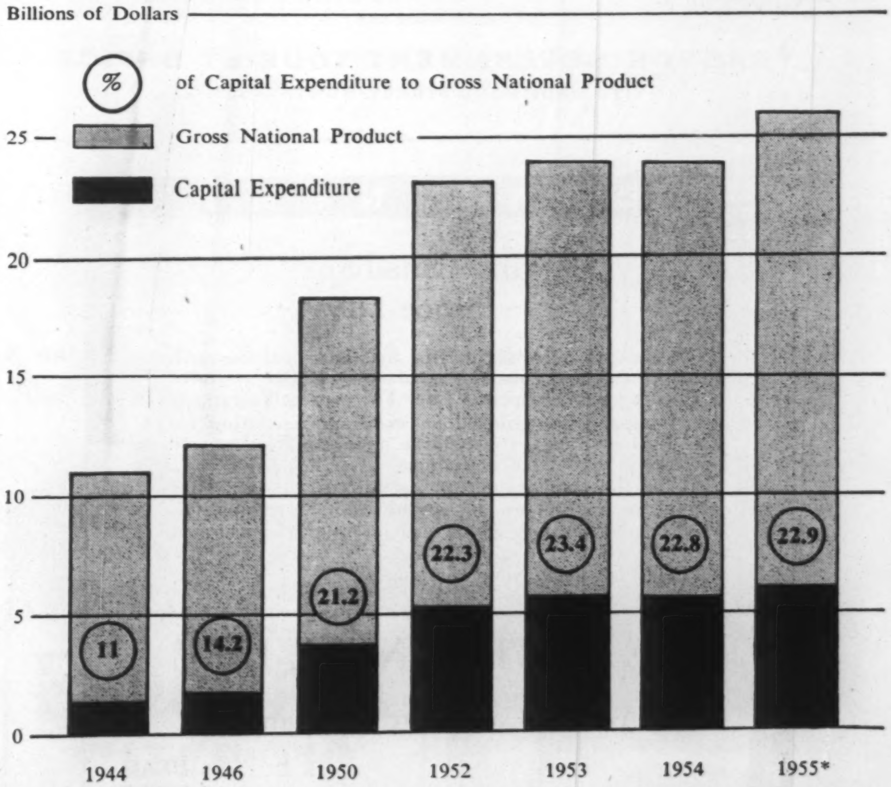
Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services is reflecting the revised confidence in the economy and is estimated to be at present about 5 per cent higher than last year. There has been a slight shift in demand patterns this year, with non-durables and services more than offsetting the lag in durable goods. While National Accounts data are not available for recent months, the trend of increasing personal disposable income may well be up some 6 per cent over 1954 by the end of this year. This condition undoubtedly will serve to expand aggregate consumer demand.

The upward thrust in the American economy has favorably influenced Canadian production and income. We have seen both an increased demand for Canadian exports and a beneficial psychological influence on business confidence. The increase in production of automobiles in the United States stimulated the demand for Canadian base metals, accelerated construction activity, boosted demand for Canadian lumber, and the increased United States consumption of pulp and paper has strengthened the world markets for this major Canadian export.

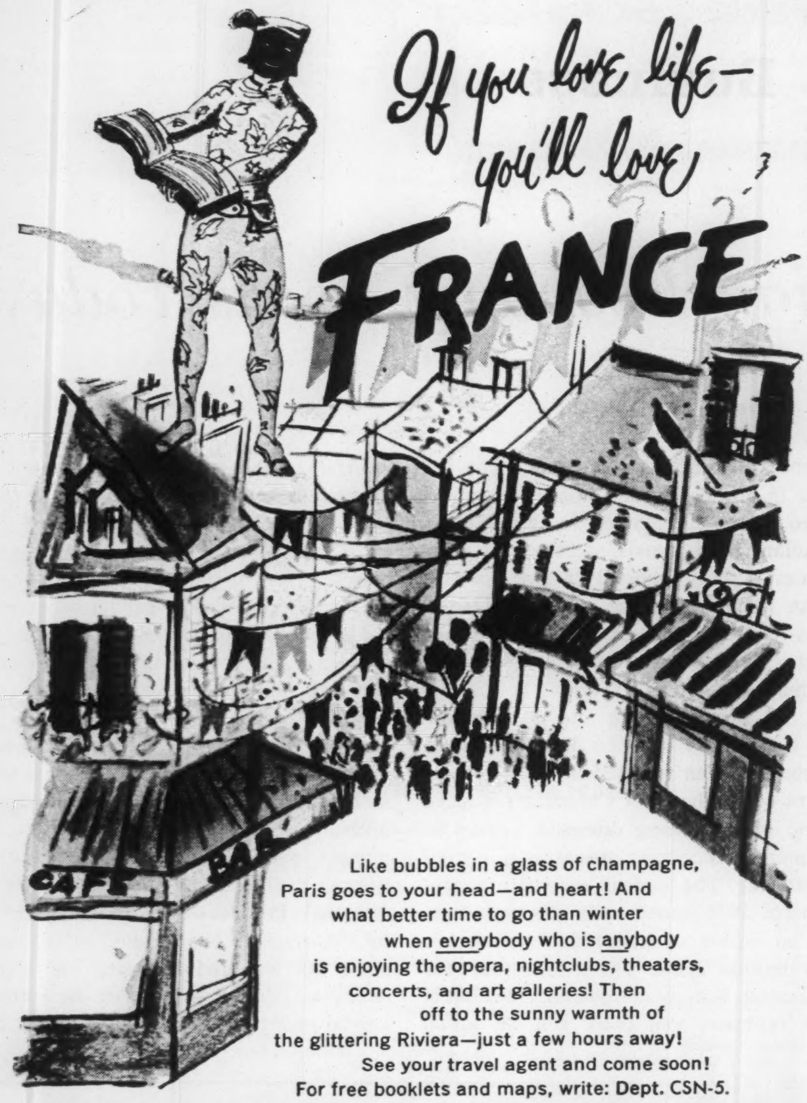
In the same vein, the rate of economic activity in the United Kingdom and Europe has been reflected in an increasing volume of purchases of Canadian products.

One of the strong domestic factors in the present economic structure is capital investment. The capital expenditure program for 1955 issued early this year forecast an outlay of about $5.8 billion, or $310 million above 1954. The mid-year reappraisal last year lowered the initial 1954 estimate, and there was an actual shortfall of about $350 million from 1954 investment intentions. The present mid-year forecast, however, increases the earlier estimate by $146 million to $5.954 billion. Most of this increase is accounted for by reappraisals for capital expenditure in government departments and in the manufacturing sector (largely paper products and non-ferrous metal products).

A few years ago the concept of the "mature economy" created considerable attention. Of present interest is that within the framework of this concept, capital investment played a somewhat less important part than at the present time. Figures such as 12 to 15 per cent of Gross National Production were considered to be "normal". The Canadian economy since the war and including the present year has been absorbing, in the form of capital investment, from 20 to 23 per cent



**The 1955 figures are estimates. Already the Gross National Product is 7 to 8% higher than 1954 and the mid-year forecast of Capital Expenditure is $5.954 billion.*



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of Gross National Production. This has had and continues to have an accelerating effect on both production and consumption.

Whether the rate of capital formation will continue at present levels, or a companion question, whether the rate is "too high", cannot be arbitrarily determined. Certainly housing and various types of social construction have served to maintain a high level of capital investment. Moreover, the population continues to grow and the process of suburban development moves ahead. Easing of monetary and credit conditions during the past year or so played an important part in encouraging this form of capital investment.

In contrast to 1954, exports to the United Kingdom have increased some 50 per cent as a result of increased shipments of base metals, lumber, grain, and paper.

On the other hand, the increase in exports has been more than offset by the increase in Canadian imports. Interestingly, the trade figures indicate the importance of the north-south axis rather than the triangular bias. Canada's surplus with the United Kingdom shows a sharp increase during the first half of the year while the deficit with the United States also increased during the same period. This trend shows signs of continuing through the balance of the year.

One of the most difficult tasks at the present time is to keep the various factors influencing the Canadian scene in perspective. At no other period in the history of economic development in Canada have so many economic factors influenced the course and rate of economic activity as during the past decade. That the impact of these factors has been significant is reflected in the movement of such indicators as Gross National Product and National Income. In current dollars Gross National Product since 1945 has more than doubled.

At the turn of the century, the development of mining and railroad building—the latter financed in the main from British capital—created for a time a buoyant economic atmosphere. Then in the nineteen-twenties American capital in the form both of branch plant building and investment gave an impetus to expansion and growth. Following the end of the war an extremely high domestic demand relative to pre-war became evident. Exports also expanded rapidly as a result of both Canadian loans abroad and "Marshall Aid". Immigration was encouraged, and this, together with an increasing rate of family formation and higher than what had been thought of as a "normal" birth rate, fed the swelling domestic demand.

Capital investment has been steadily increasing since the war and its multiplier effect has been evident. Along with this has been the second period of resource development, highlighted by discoveries of oil, iron ore, uranium, titanium and the like. Also American investment, while relatively small in total terms, has served to redress unfavorable balances in foreign trade. The military preparedness program following Korea (at present absorbing about 45 per cent of the Federal budget) added further pressures—although with a possible regional bias—to an already buoyant economy.

Signs are not wanting that the economy is once more moving forward, and that the momentum is increasing. The advance, though broadening, is still uneven, and there are important areas, particularly of secondary industry, that have not yet felt the stimulating influence of the vigorous recovery of other lines of activity. Uncertainty lies ahead, also, in the shape of crop outlook, labor unrest in large and important sections of industry, and United States decisions in regard to the marketing abroad of its farm surpluses.

The upswing in business activity in the United States in the past few months has been quite remarkable and bodes well for our trade in that direction. The prompt measures taken by the United States administration to stabilize the economy and prevent a run-away boom are also reassuring. Domestic prices have been fairly stable, consumer buying well maintained, savings continue to rise and debt is not of unmanageable proportions. There now seems little doubt that the forecast of a Gross National Product of $25¼ billion in 1955 made in the budget speech of April last will be conservative.

Puzzler

by J. A. H. Hunter

It's sometimes hard to believe that they're mother and daughter. You'd take them for sisters every time and, even now when I know them so well, I find myself forgetting. This was in my mind as I sat in their cosy little home some days ago, enjoying the peace which is always there. Maybe I'd been reading Mabel's thoughts. "We've got something you may be able to use," she said: "a teaser on our ages." Turning to her daughter: "Give him that figuring we did last night, dear." Gwen handed me a sheet of paper, but before I could read it my hostess went on: "You see, if you multiply my age by the second figure of Gwen's you get the same as you get by multiplying her age by the second figure of mine." "Yes, that's so," I agreed, glancing again at the paper and acting as if I hadn't known their ages. "And," continued Mabel, "if you multiply the figures of my age together you get four less than twice the figures of her age multiplied together." She smiled a trifle shyly: "Can you use it?" And so there's the problem straight as it was given to me.—*Answer on Page 54.*

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Canadian Javelin

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Canadian Javelin's iron-bearing deposit is located at Wabush Lake, Labrador, some 225 miles north of Sept Isles, and only 43 miles from the Quebec North Shore and Labrador Railway. This line is a common carrier, bringing iron ore from the Iron Ore Co. of Canada operation at Knob Lake. It could presumably be used for shipment of Javelin's iron concentrates, which it is proposed to sell in Germany.

The province of Newfoundland contemplates financing the 43-mile link for Javelin. The assumption is that the government is satisfied with the economics of the project, which involve the concentrating of the iron-bearing material in a plant to be built by European interests. Javelin would ship this concentrate to Sept Isles for trans-shipment by ocean vessel and would, of course, have to provide expensive handling facilities at Sept Isles.

The project's chances are tied to the outlook for iron, for which users are compelled to look elsewhere as former sources of supply become exhausted.

Basic Investments

Fourteen of us here have organized an investment club and would appreciate any recommendations you might have on good securities transactions. — G.R., St. Catharines, Ont.

We would be inclined to make commitments at the start only in basic industries: pulp and paper, lumber, metals, oil and power. Later on, you might branch out into secondary manufacturing and servicing industries.

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We are going to name some companies in which you might invest but we would emphasize that these are not necessarily final recommendations. They will serve as a point of departure on a discussion

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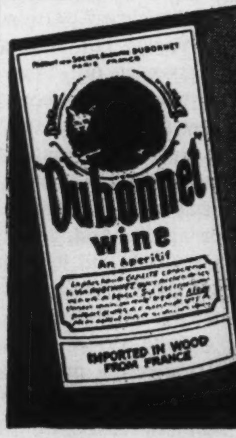

of the various units in individual groups.

In pulp and paper, you might start with Abitibi and Powell River; lumber, MacMillan & Bloedel, BC Forest Products; metals, Aluminum Ltd., International Nickel and Steel of Canada; oils, Imperial Oil and B-A Oil; power, BC Power and Shawinigan.

In case the reason for including the power industry with export industries is not apparent, we might point out that Canada "packages" and exports electricity in the form of metals made by electrical reduction of ores. For instance, aluminum is made in eastern Canada and on the Pacific coast by applying Canadian power to foreign ores. Canada is to get other aluminum producers because of her power.

Metal-making, of course, is but one application of power. You may find it interesting and profitable to discern other applications and the power companies most likely to benefit from them. As an example, take BC Power, which is serving an unusually fast-growing market and which also expects to be distributing natural gas.

No investment club should overlook the possibilities of devoting a small portion of its capital to carefully selected mineral exploration speculations. But don't listen to tips. And confine your selections to companies sponsored by people with a record of accomplishment and probity. Insist on seeing a prospectus before you buy. It will tell you something of the history of the directors of a company and may enable you to avoid some of the more obvious promotions.

Headway

I would be interested in your opinion of Headway and Coulee as buys.—F.C., West Hill, Ont.

Headway and Coulee are highly speculative. The Oka property, which the two companies jointly own, has indicated a large tonnage of columbium-tantalum bearing material, but its proportions, as well as the economics of mining the property, have yet to be proven. The management is hopeful of the future of the market for the two metals in civilian applications.

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Would D. A. Stuart Oil Co. be considered a safe investment at the recent price of $15? Has it any chances of advancing? —S.A., Sarnia, Ont.

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Additionally, many investors would not buy Stuart because of its small size. With only slightly more than 100,000 shares outstanding, market capitalization does not involve enough money to be interesting to professional traders, whose activities help to provide ready markets for many stocks. You might find the stock hard to buy and sell.

But if you are prepared to overlook the implications of the company's size, the stock at recent levels affords an opportunity to buy into a progressive industry at an attractive price in relation to earnings and assets.

American Leduc

Can you give me any information on American Leduc, which I bought at $1.10 and which is now around 90 cents? I have been told that it could go to $5 or higher, but am rather doubtful. I sold Anacon to buy American Leduc.—B.D., Ottawa, Ont.

AMERICAN Leduc's hopes are largely tied to the chances of the exploration program it is conducting in Cuba in search of oil. A price of $5 for the stock is not inconceivable, providing the company finds enough oil or gets sufficiently favorable indications. In the meantime, the market price appears to be high enough for the present condition of the company.

It is a dubious policy for a Canadian to buy into what has become largely a foreign enterprise; it is difficult to follow developments in another country.

As for Anacon, don't waste any tears on it.

In Brief

Are Ymir Yankee Girl Gold Mines and Wesberta Oil still in existence?—J. C., Toronto.

Ymir is dead. Wesberta is still around but there is no market for shares.

What is your candid opinion of Mohawk Mining and Western Provinces Oil?—G. E. F., Saskatoon.

Mohawk is idle; Western has gone west.

My mother has shares of Municipal Service Corp. Are they worth anything?—J. V., Montreal.

Can't locate company, let alone find a price.

Are shares of Offset Drillers worth anything?—H. M. E., Belleville, Ont.

No market right now.

I have $500 to invest. What do you think of penny mining stocks?—B. B. B., North Bay, Ont.

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Who's Who in Business

Mr. Toronto

THERE is no more dramatic evidence of Canadian growth and prosperity than the Toronto Stock Exchange. Far surpassing Montreal in activity today, in the sheer volume of its turn-over it has become the greatest stock market in the world. It is second only to New York on this continent in the value of its transactions.

Over all this activity currently presides a tall, distinguished-looking man with well-bred manners and well-cut clothes who is in some ways the living antithesis of this boom and rush, at any rate in its more superficial and speculative aspects. Gilbert Stuart Osler, Chairman of the Board of the Toronto Stock Exchange, is the embodiment of a family tradition which today is almost unique in English-speaking Canada.

His great-grandfather came to Toronto from Scotland and his grandfather, Sir Edmund Osler—a brother of the famous surgeon, Sir William Osler — founded the stockbroking firm of Osler & Hammond, which is now the oldest and one of the most respected in Canada. His father, before him, was President of the Toronto Stock Exchange. Through the years the Oslers, unlike so many old families, have husbanded their resources — careful, clannish and most respectable.

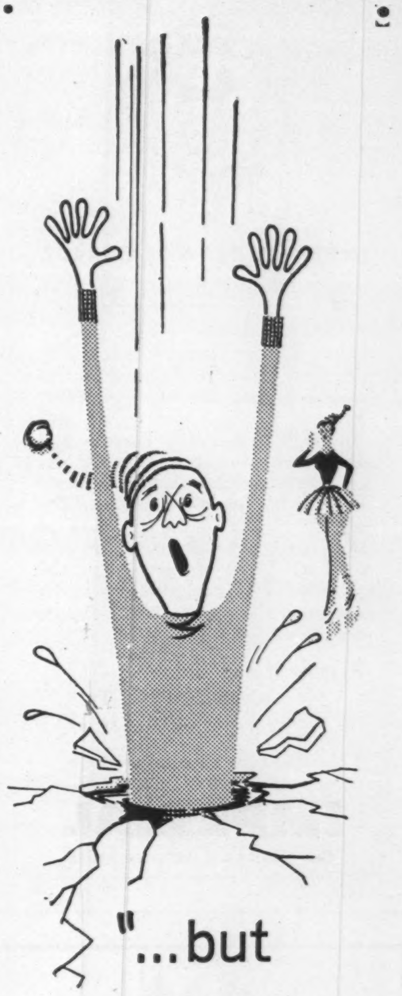
Gilbert Stuart Osler

Born in 1905, he was educated at Trinity College School—of which he is now a governor—and at the Royal Military College. Apart from two years on active service as an Army captain during the war, he has spent his life in the family firm of which he is a partner. He also looks after the large family land-holdings in Western Canada "on which we still hope to find oil". He is President of Canada North-West Land Co. and the Winnipeg Western Land Corporation, and a director of the Canada Saskatchewan Land Co. and Security Freehold Petroleums.

He has been active on Exchange Committees for several years and earlier this year he was elected Chairman of the Board of the Toronto Stock Exchange. It is the responsibility of the Board, in co-operation with the Ontario Securities Commission, to maintain the prestige and good order of the Exchange and, where necessary, to enforce the rules. It is inevitable, in a period of phenomenal growth, that sharp practices and sharp operators should crop up; it is all the more essential that public confidence in the market should be preserved. The Chairman recently announced from the trading floor rostrum that a Member had been suspended for failing to meet the audit requirements of the Exchange. He was subsequently expelled—the first case for twenty-five years. And the TSE took the unprecedented step of holding up trading in certain stocks. "I shall see that the rules are scrupulously obeyed and strictly enforced," says Mr. Osler quietly. However, he does not think that there is any need to revise these rules or to undertake an investigation into the operations of the market like the much-publicized Fulbright congressional investigation in the United States earlier this year.

He puts in a fairly frequent appearance at the Exchange. But for the most part he works in his little cramped office, hung with family tokens of esteem, in the old-fashioned building where the family has done business for eighty-eight years. At weekends he goes up to sail his schooner on Lake Simcoe or plays golf. He is a lay member of the synod of the Toronto diocese and has worked in Toronto community causes for many years, without seeking publicity. His wife died recently. He has two daughters and a son who is planning a medical career. His brother, who is also a partner, is unmarried. "So it looks as though this will be the end of the family connection," says Mr. Osler a little sadly.

On the wider future: "I am not bearish". And although traditionally Conservative in politics, he admits to being well-satisfied with the economic policies of the Federal Government. In general, the Oslers would seem to have good reason to be satisfied with the way things have turned out in Canada. And, on the other hand, those who know him sum up "Stu" Osler as "a really nice guy".



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R. R. MERIFIELD
Secretary.

Montreal, September 26, 1955

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By order of the Board.

H. W. WRIGHT,
Secretary.

Dated at Kirkland Lake, Ontario, September 21, 1955.

Chess Problem

by 'Centaur'

ONE of two famous brothers devoted to three-move problem composition has died, Thomas Joseph Warton of Southall, Middlesex. He was born in 1885, and was 15 years the senior of his brother Joseph John. Most of their problems were joint compositions, and the collaboration of the two was unique in the chess problem world. Their work is marked by grace, subtle keys and strategy.

The brothers were regular contributors to the British magazine Chess, and we quote a fine specimen that appeared back in 1948:

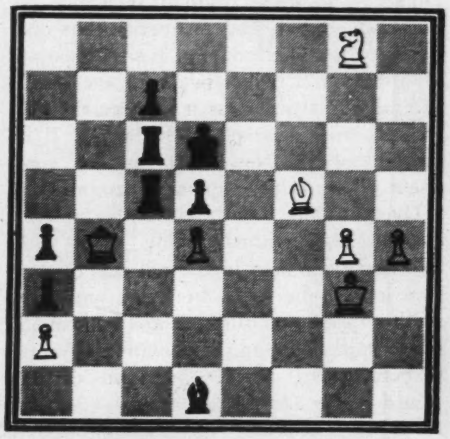
SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 125.

Key-move 1.Q-R7, threatening 2.Q-KB7 mate. If Q-B3; 2.Kt-B5 mate. If Q-K5; 2.QKt-Q4 mate. If QxKt; 2.BxQ mate. If Kt-Q5; 2.KtxP mate. If Kt-Q2; 2.QxKt mate.

This problem has an anticritical key, with critical defenses. The first can be realized from the try 1.KtxPch, QxKt; 2.QKt-Q4ch, K-B4.

PROBLEM No. 126, by T. and J. Warton.

Black—Eight Pieces.



White—Eight Pieces.

White mates in three.

Never too Late to End

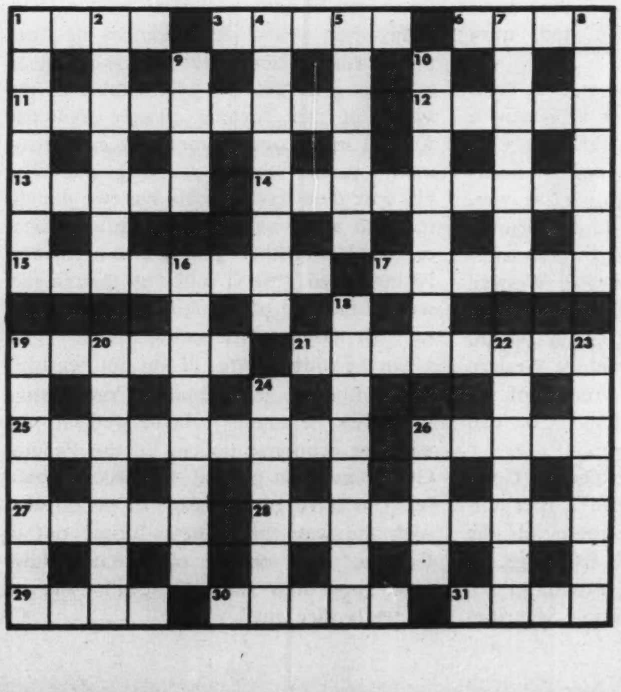
by Louis and Dorothy Crerar

Across

1. Slip over for a kiss, maybe. (4)
3. Not an author to skip through. (5)
6. See 24
11. Crooked dealer, somewhat batty? (9)
12. It took him an age to get credit from Oedipus. (5)
13. Relieves a 9 when adjusted. (5)
14. Bin our cat used to raise young in? (9)
15. Stay with what bell-hops do. (8)
17. Honest, what kept the fruit good so long? (6)
19. Smoking jacket for a dope? (6)
21. It seems 3 took no credit writing this. (4, 4)
25. Iron band? (5, 4)
26. Was uncle arrested because he carried this? (5)
27. A change of scene is certainly a rest for him. (5)
28. Doctors who do, hear piercing cries, no doubt. (9)
29. See 24
30. It was St. Agnes Eve when Steve embraced her. (5)
31. See 16

Down

1. S? (7)
2. Artist who starts pictures, the silly fellow, with nothing. (7)
4. Early nights. (8)
5. Order you might get credit for. (6)
7. Put out? And how! (7)
8. Strangely Dante could take little credit for Disraeli's novel. (7)
9. Looks up and down. (4)
10. Poet that broke the strike? (8)
16, 31. Delight to be crooked? (8, 4)
18. Rover, when enveloped by mange, lost his tail, but still makes the tree. (8)
19. Substitute for carp and eel. (7)
20. Dickens' Fat Boy never did this himself. (7)
22. Exhibited by the commonplace Tate Gallery. Is it worth its salt? (7)
23. Has this cropped up again! (7)
24, 29, 6. Acrobatic economy? (6, 4, 4)
26. The one to this is Klux Klan. (4)



SOLUTION TO LAST PUZZLE

Across

1, 5, 30 and 27. There's many a true word spoken in jest
7, 25. Good loser
9. Croupier
10. Unused
11. Hosier
12. Exhibits
13. Interpret
15. See 28
17. See 28
20. Orangeman
24. Montreal
26. In gear
27. See 1
28, 17 and 15. Skeleton at the feast
29. Mews
30. See 1

Down

2. Harpoon
3. Routine
4. Stirrups
5. See 1
6. Youths
7. Grumble
8. Orestes
14. Ear
16. Enlivens
18. Trounce
19. Hatters
21. El Greco
22. A la mode
23. Bestow
25. See 7A

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Women

Family Home

by Mary Lowrey Ross

"I'M getting used to having photographers about the place," said Dorothy Boylen, making her way through the coils of wire and standing lamps that the cameramen had set up to photograph her living-room.

Sometimes they come to take pictures of the Boylen house and grounds. Sometimes they arrive to take pictures of Mrs. Boylen, the attractive, friendly, and photogenic wife of M. J. Boylen, who has extensive mining interests. She has twice figured in the lists of Canada's Ten Best Dressed Women. Once a crew arrived from the National Film Board to photograph the Krieghoff collection which Mr. Boylen has assembled in the library. On the latter occasion the photographers stayed five days, setting up a laboratory in the basement in order to photograph in microscopic detail one of the most impressive Krieghoff collections in Canada.

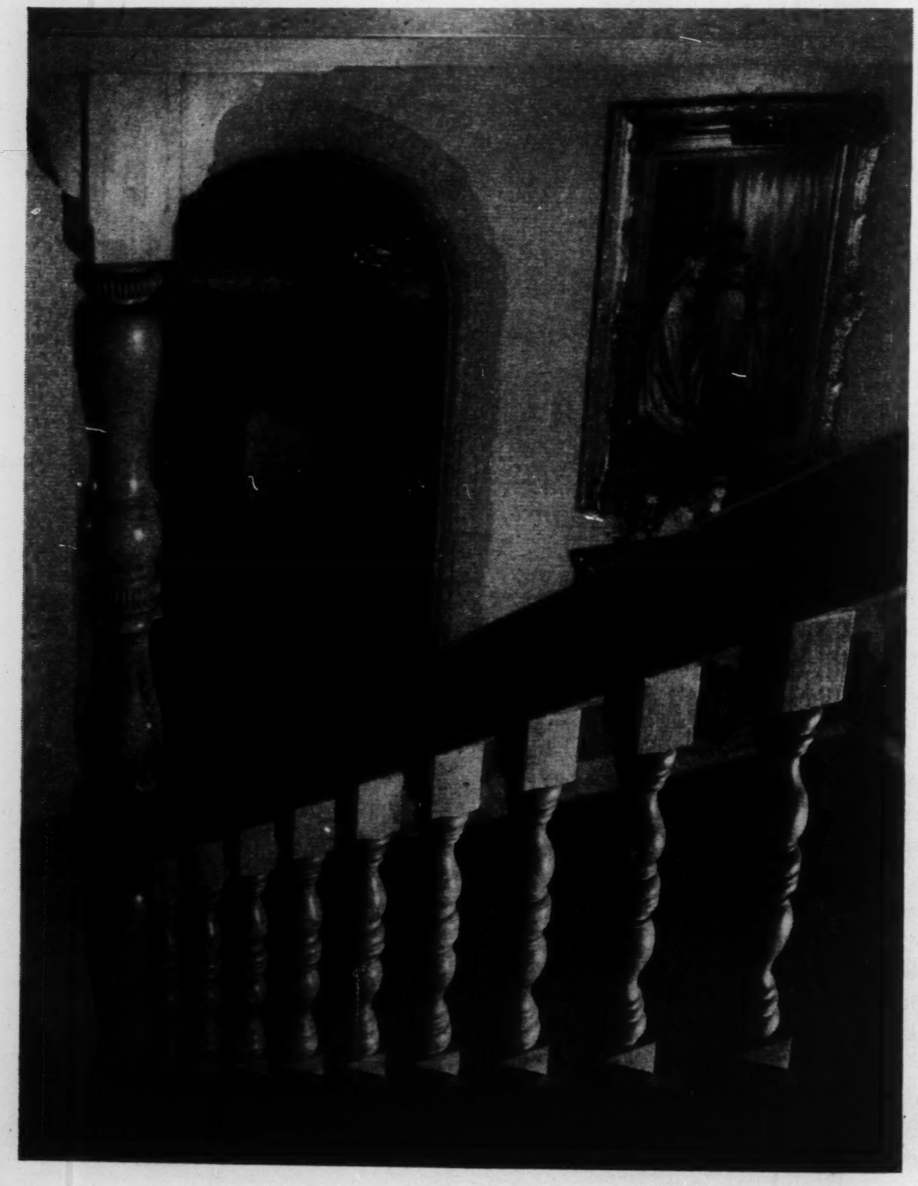
Like many mining men who have surveyed the surface of the Dominion from the Rockies to the Maritimes, M. J. "Jim" Boylen has become deeply interested in both the past and the future of Canada, in its history as well as its resources. As a result, he was among the earliest collectors of the work of Krieghoff, who was not only an artist of achievement but a gifted recorder and documentarian.

With the recent accelerated interest in Krieghoff's work, the Boylen collection has attracted considerable attention. Lord Beaverbrook, an ardent collector of Canadiana, called to see it not long ago, and was so impressed that he urged Mr. and Mrs. Boylen to house it in a special public gallery, complete with public entrance. The Boylens were gratified by his interest, though his dynamic plans, which would have involved large structural changes in the whole house, made Mrs. Boylen a little nervous. Even in matters of domestic architecture Lord Beaverbrook's ideas tend to run to Empire scale and his scheme seemed to her a little excessive for private living. She is, however, planning a small double-purpose gallery, without a public entrance, as an addition to the living-room.

The Boylen residence is a large house of Tudor design in west Toronto, built in the days before the modern ranch house had reached the blue-print stage. There are no split levels or Vista-Vision windows, but with its traditional lines and deep, intimate, detailed interiors it makes most ranch houses look like something dreamed up by a sanitary engineer. Beyond converting the original garage into an oak panelled library, the owners have done little to alter the original structure. The house is wide and sunny and Mrs. Boylen has made skilful use of bleach-

Mrs. M. J. Boylen, twice named as one of the Ten Best Dressed Women in Canada, relaxes with a favorite family pet in the spacious grounds of her beautiful Toronto home.

The Boylen home, which looks out over the Humber Valley, is designed for family living, but it also houses some fine paintings, in particular a notable collection of the work of the early Canadian documentarian, Cornelius Krieghoff.



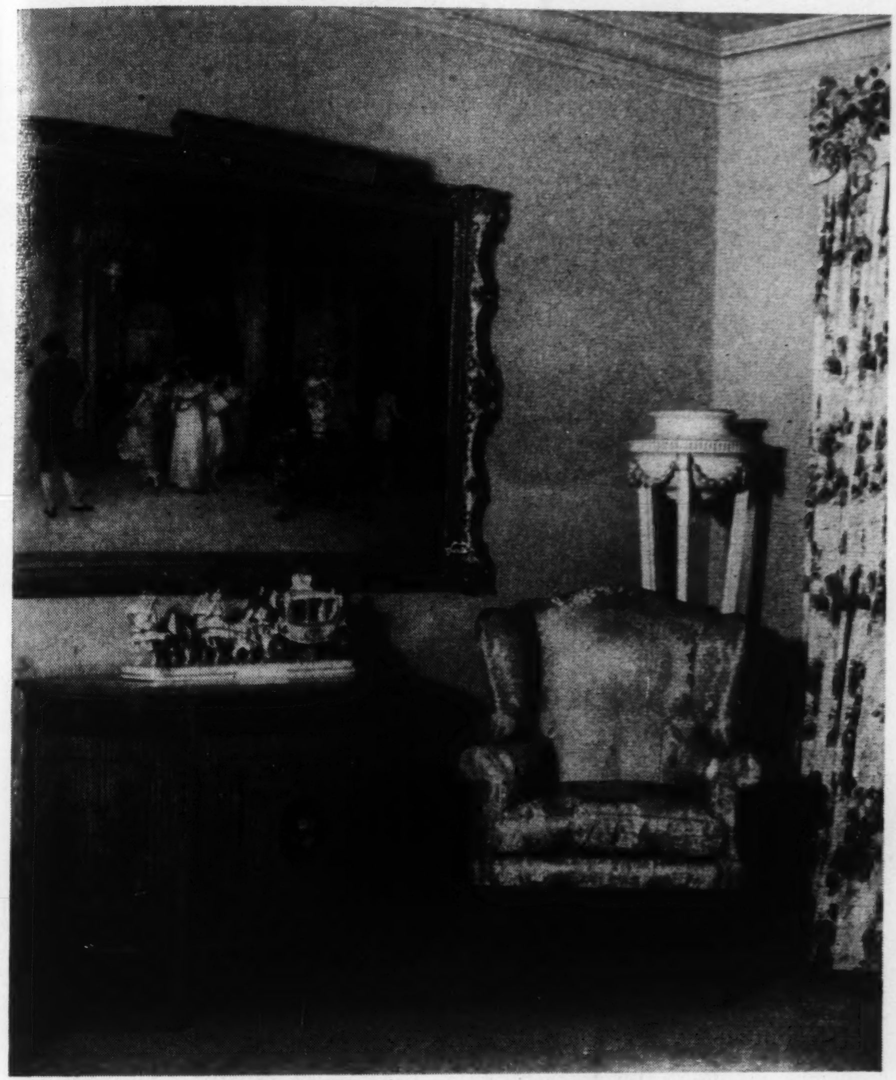
ed woodwork and clear pastel walls to lighten the rather gothic gloom of the original décor. On three sides the windows look out on wide lawns and gardens, while the back faces the wooded drop to the Humber Valley.

Landscaping to the rear of the house was halted by the arrival of Hurricane Hazel, which swept away the work in progress and left a miniature lake lapping almost at the Boylen back door. Since then further work has been delayed by the threat of expropriation of the ravine as a public park. Meanwhile the owners have contented themselves with installing a couple of ravine ponds for the benefit of wild ducks. Ducks are capable of surviving both hurricanes and civic expropriation, and so provide a landscape detail that is both permanent and relaxing.

Primarily it is a home dedicated to family life and entertainment. There are three younger Boylens, two boys, aged 19 and 17, and a daughter, Elaine, who is 15. All have a penchant for pets. "We always take the family when we travel," Mrs. Boylen said, "but I rarely get much chance for sight-seeing. Most of my time seems to be spent in pet-shops."

"I don't go in for a great deal of public activity," she said, "largely because I like to be on hand when the family gets back from school."

Because the Norman Hartnell fall opening corresponded with the opening of her daughter's school, Mrs. Boylen relinquished the chance to fly to London for a private Hartnell fashion showing. Her interest in clothes, though alert, is incidental, and she accepted the nomination as one of Canada's Ten Best Dressed Women largely through a natural impulse to be accommodating. "Though I did feel rather silly," she said, "getting dressed up in formal evening clothes at ten o'clock in the morning!"



Originally the house had dark panelling and a rather heavy décor. Mrs. Boylen has lightened this with pale walls, bleached woodwork and gay floral chintzes.

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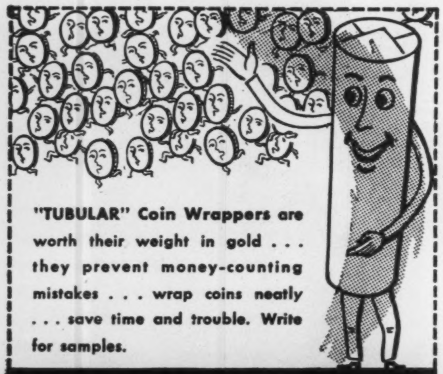
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

N. J. McKinnon,
General Manager.

Toronto, September 1, 1955



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Letters

Imports and Exports

. . . Mr. Short observed that Canada was the world's second "most liberal" importer on a per capita basis in 1954. Mr. Short should have explained that Canada was also the world's second largest exporter on a per capita basis and that Canada's "most liberal" imports were for the most part goods and services which Canadians had earned by right of selling other goods and services to the rest of the world. It would be unfortunate indeed if Mr. Short's use of the term "most liberal" to indicate Canada's high rank among the world's importing countries were to suggest to his readers that to be a leading importer is really a bad thing, and that less liberal import policies are needed without further examination.

MONTREAL MERVYN L. WEINER

Unarmed Police

Your suggestion that police officers in Canada go about their duties unarmed is indefensible. Your rhetorical question, "Is the Canadian criminal so much more vicious than his British counterpart?" can be answered with an unqualified "yes" by anyone who has had anything to do with criminals in Canada. Very aptly you point out that comparative statistics are inadequate, but this is not a matter of statistics but of experience. The Canadian criminal is the product of North American civilization, the British criminal of British civilization. The former is a civilization of violence, the latter of social responsibility. There is the difference . . .

TORONTO GEORGE PENNINGTON

Quizzes and Gambles

The gross materialism of your comment on the TV program, "The $64,000 Question", is appalling. The point of Dr. Mutchmor's criticism (which you obviously missed) was that a program like this one, entering the homes of millions of people, is simply encouraging people to obtain money by devious, dishonest means —in other words, by what is essentially gambling. The purpose of the program is obviously not to test knowledge but to give money away in a fashion that will attract as large an audience as possible. The money itself is obtained in the form of profits on sales from people who buy the advertised products. Just as at the race track there are a few winners and many losers, so in this case there are a few who collect and many who pay . . .

LETHBRIDGE, ALTA. J. D. WILLIAMS

Editor's note: If trading information for cash is a devious, dishonest gamble, most people must either sin or starve.

Immigration

. . . Prime Minister St. Laurent is right and you are wrong: there is a clear difference between assimilating immigrants and integrating them. One way they are pushed, prodded and moulded until they have some resemblance to all the other assembly-line individuals who make up the population. The other way they are taken into the stream of living, enriching it with their own culture, welcomed for the gifts they bring and not derided for being different . . .

SASKATOON V. A. DIMINUIK

Politicians can say what they like, but a nation made up of immigrants must be a melting-pot, if it is to become a distinctive nation and not an uneasy conglomeration of separate national groups, all dividing their loyalties between the old land and the new . . .

VANCOUVER JOHN ALLARDYCE

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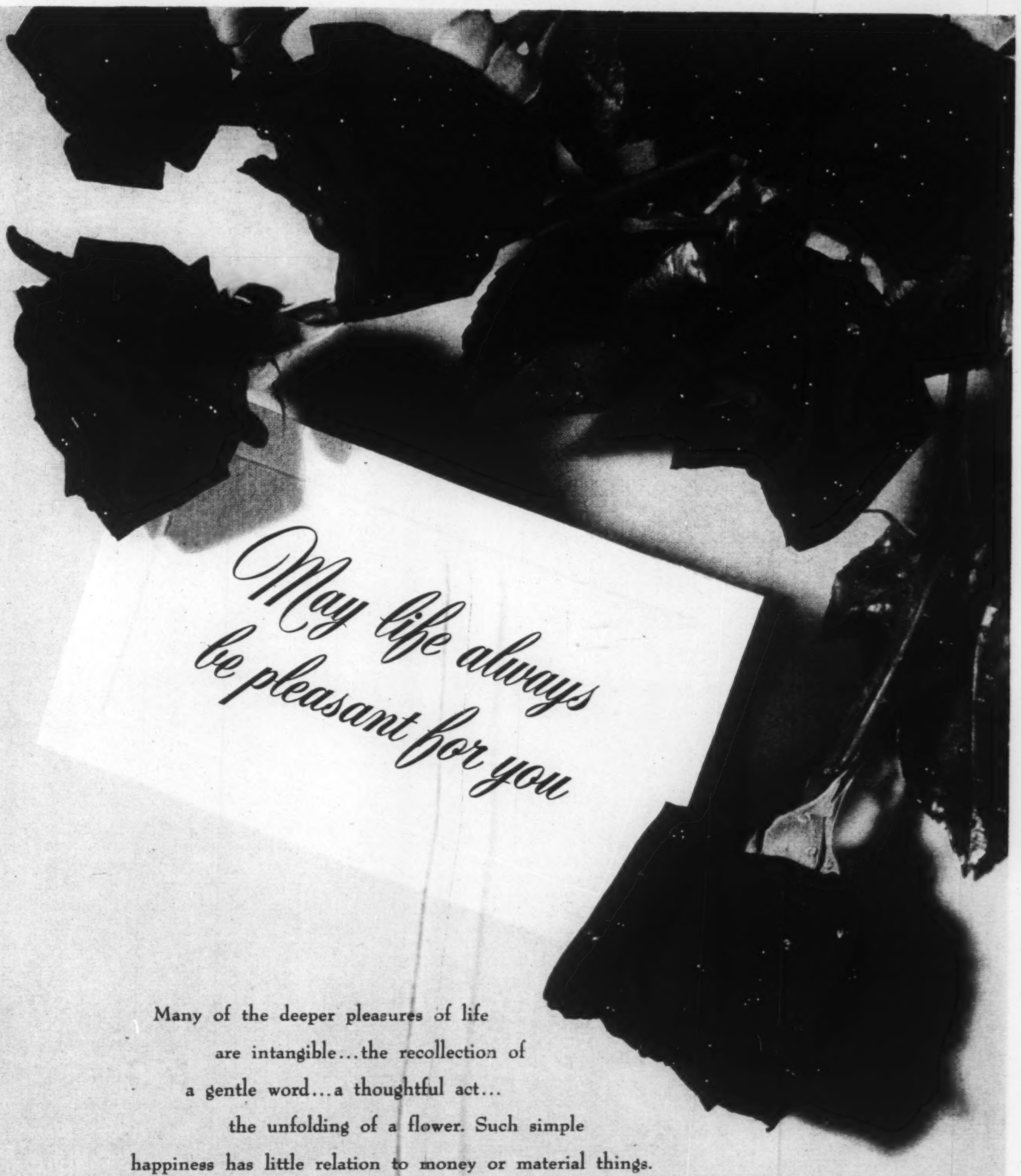

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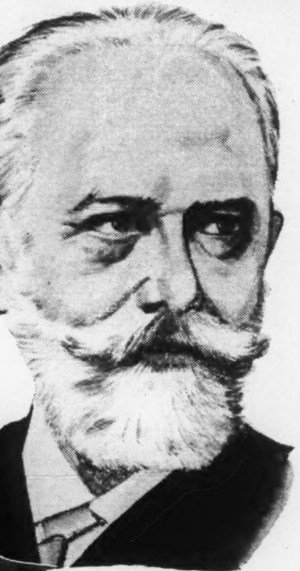

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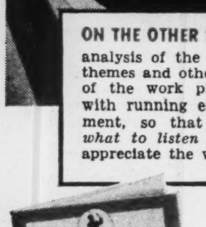
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